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Victoria and vicinity—Winds mostly westerly to southerly; fine and milder.	
Vancouver and vicinity—Westerly winds; fine and milder.	

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## SCIENTISTS TO MEET SHORTLY

Delegates From Many of Canada's Universities to Attend Sessions of Scientists in Washington

## ANNUAL GATHERING OF NORTH AMERICA SAVANTS

Convention Is Similar to That of British Association for Advancement of Science Held This Summer

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Delegates from nearly all Canadian universities will attend the seventy-ninth meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, to be held here December 29 to January 3, when three thousand university professors, research workers, astronomers, educationists, medical men, engineers, agriculturists and economists assemble for what is virtually an annual meeting of the North American Congress of Scientists.

The savants will spend their time in listening to scientific papers, discussing them, and visiting Washington's numerous museums and the laboratories of the United States Government bureaus. The sessions will be similar to the recent meetings in Toronto of the meeting organized by the British Association for the Advancement of Science, although the programme indicates that they will be more strictly confined to technical subjects than was the case with the English scientists.

## Experimental Biologists

The Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology meets this year in conjunction with the American Association and this fact swells the number of individual technical bodies taking part in the congress to fifty, and in addition there are fourteen sections of the A.A.A. itself. Among the thousands of papers slated for discussion are reports of experiments revealing the purposes, principles and prevention of nearly everything that amuses or annoys mankind, feeds or clothes him, sickens or cures, from rats to radio and rheumatism.

Motion pictures taken during the tour of Western Canada made by the British scientists after the Toronto convention in August, will be shown during the week.

## FIVE OF SUSPECTS FULLY IDENTIFIED

## ONE OF GANG HELD AT SEATTLE; GIVEN LIBERTY

Nanaimo Lady Recognizes Bandit Who Took Her Money—Teller Identifies Currency

SEATTLE, Dec. 24.—Five of the six suspects in the \$12,000 robbery, December 12, of the Nanaimo, B.C., branch of the Royal Bank of Canada, were today identified sufficiently to warrant holding them here, Chief of Police W. B. Ferguson announced after five witnesses of the robbery confronted the suspects.

Ross C. Watson, former Seattle city detective, was positively identified by a woman customer who was in the bank at the time of the robbery as one of the bandits, detective assistant Edward Hunter, operator of Clarence H. (Dick) Shively's speedboat El Toro, which was believed to have been used by the bandits to escape from British Columbia to the United States territory, was freed, as none of the witnesses could identify him.

Watson positively identified two of the eight witnesses, Ross C. Watson, former Seattle police detective, as one of the participants, police said. Only five of the Canadiana viewed Watson. The other three said they were not sure if Watson was one of the robbers.

James Stevenson, teller of the bank, identified police officers two \$1 Canadian bills and a \$2 bill, part of \$4,748 in Canadian currency found in the room of Harry Stone, one of six suspects under arrest, by red pencil marks.

The alleged bandits are to be heard in superior court January 12, when it is to be decided whether evidence available warrants their extradition to Canada for prosecution there, on the bank robbery charge.

## Scotch Collie Dog Finds Way to North Dakota Home From California

VALLEY CITY, N.D., Dec. 24.—The eight-year-old Scotch collie dog belonging to Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Runyon, of Oriskany, near here, found his way home from California, where Runyon had taken him on a trip last fall. The dog appeared to be a bit fatter and wearier from his trip, but showed his approval with many wags of the tail when he saw men he knew here and in Oriskany. The Runyons had noticed his disappearance from their California home about three months ago.

## Ireland Installs Air Mail

BELFAST, Dec. 24.—Arrangements have been completed for an all-year air service between Great Britain and Ulster. A company with \$2,500,000 capital has been formed, and three airplanes have been purchased. The scheme is expected greatly to accelerate the mail service, not only with England, but with America and New

## SAYS TEUTONS BREAK TERMS

Premier Herriot Informs Deputies That Germany Has Openly Broken Conditions of Versailles Treaty

## SECRET DEPOT OF ARMS DISCOVERED AT ESSEN

Fresh Infractions of the Pact Noted After Reichs Had Accepted the Provisions of Dawes Plan

PARIS, Dec. 25.—The Cologne area is not to be evacuated on January 10 because, according to the French Government, Germany has not fulfilled the conditions set forth in the Versailles Treaty.

Premier Herriot submitted to the cabinet this morning a memorandum based on the control commission's official report, declaring that evacuation of Cologne was impossible and to this attitude the ministry agreed.

A letter from Premier Herriot dealing with Germany's failure to observe her obligations was read this afternoon to the foreign relations committee of the Chamber of Deputies.

It gives grounds for decision. It gave the grounds on which the French Government had approached the British Government, with a view to prolongation of the occupation of the Cologne area after January 10. Declaring that Germany had failed in her disarmament obligations during the occupation of the Ruhr, the letter asserted that fresh infractions were noted after Germany had accepted the Dawes plan.

The Ambassadors' Council on September 29, 1924, demanded that Germany carry out her obligations on nine specified points, but there was no sign that the Reichs had complied with this demand.

Further serious failures on the part of Germany had been noted. Thus the manufacture of rifles, which is prohibited, was found to be going on, and secret depots of arms had been discovered, notably at Essen. Furthermore, the effectiveness of the Reichswehr cadres were in excess of the numbers provided for by the treaty.

The Premier said he expected to receive the official reports of the commission of control by the middle of January.

## CHINA ADHERES TO PROTOCOL TERMS

## NEW GOVERNMENT TO RESPECT ALL TREATIES

Foreign Office Expresses Republic's Gratitude for Assurance of Support Given by Signatories

PEKING, Dec. 24.—The new Chinese Government today declared its intention of respecting all existing treaties, while expressing the hope that the execution of resolutions agreed to at the Washington Conference would not be long delayed.

In a note replying to the communication from the protocol powers, delivered December 9, the Foreign Office expresses gratification for the assurance given by their support for the present provisional government. Reciprocating, the Chinese note promised that China would continue to respect all treaties, conventions and other engagements, as in the past.

The communication of December 9 from the representatives in China of the United States Government, France, Japan, Belgium, Italy and The Netherlands to the provisional Chinese Government, offered that Government full support and recognition conditional upon recognition of all treaties and engagements entered into by the preceding Chinese Governments with the powers named.

## Dead Man at Vancouver Discovered to Have Police Record in Alberta Town

VANCOUVER, Dec. 24.—The man found dead in a rooming house here a few days ago has been definitely identified as John Taylor, formerly of Bristol, England, and later of Drumheller and Wayne, Alberta. A brother-in-law of Taylor, who was killed in a fight with a man named Powell, was also found dead in a rooming house here.

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## Swarajists to Suspend Non-Co-operation Plan

BELGAUM, British India, Dec. 24.—The committee of the Indian National Congress, by a vote of 16 to 19, today approved a pact between Mohandas Gandhi, president-elect of the Congress, and the Swarajists, whereby non-co-operation would be suspended and the Swarajists permitted to represent the national Congress in the legislative bodies.

## Railroad Policeman Killed

TORONTO, Dec. 24.—While riding the steps of a Canadian National Railway passenger train outside the Union Station here yesterday, James Halton, sixty-two, a railway policeman, fell under the wheels of the car and was fatally injured.

## THE COLONIST'S sincere wish for all its readers today is that this Christmas morning may dawn happily for them, and that the day may close with pleasant memories of family reunion and the fellowship of true friends. May there be some token from old Father Christmas in every child's stocking; may the Yule log burn with heart-warming brightness on every hearth; and may there be no dregs in the cup when the toast is drunk: "To those we love, and to those who love us."

CHRISTMAS MAILS REACH HUGE TOTAL

STAMPING MACHINES SHOWED FIVE PER CENT INCREASE

Twenty-Five Hundred Dollars Spent on Stamp in Single Day—Over Million Letters for Month

Local Christmas mails, according to all the surface indications at least, are much heavier this year than for some time. The machine used for stamping letters, postcards, and flat mail generally, gives an absolutely accurate record of this class of mail, and the figures for both Tuesday and Wednesday of this week show that on each of these days over 30,000 articles of this kind passed through the Victoria office for local distribution. Monday's stamp sale was the heaviest for the month, over \$2,500 worth of stamps being sold in exchange for stamps of various values. Yesterday's was a heavy mail also, and the figures for the month will stand very high when the totals are made up.

The statement to date, in fact, shows that 875,000 letters have been mailed in Victoria. A conservative estimate made by the postmaster forecasts the month's total as in the neighborhood of 1,000,000 for local distribution only. Over and above this tremendous exchange of greetings and business communications of the average order, there is the great bulk of parcels and stamps being sent to the outside points by train or coming from outside points to Victoria. For example, 150 bags of mail were carried from Victoria to Vancouver last night.

Against the greatly increased local and incoming and outgoing Canadian mails, it is remarkable that there has been a definite falling off in the American mails. The reason for this can only be speculated upon. It is just possible that two or three years ago, when such numbers of Victorians had just gone to the States to live, correspondence was much more active than after a lapse of time. The fact remains that the mails are conspicuously lighter. The reason for this is that there is to be one delivery today, which will include all mail posted up to about eleven o'clock last evening, also the night mail from Vancouver, which is being taken off the boat early this morning, sorted, and delivered, letters first, parcels following a little later.

The last British mail, which was only twelve days en route from the Old Land, arrived on Sunday, and was delivered on Monday. Another mail is on its way, and will reach here probably on Saturday or Sunday, ready for delivery early next week.

Increase Staff

To deal with the greatly increased business, the Post Office staff has been increased by seven or eight men, and now numbers 127 all told.

The holiday shipment this year has not been so heavy as last. There has also been a very general inclination toward the sending of money orders rather than parcels to England this year, and each year sees a definite increase in the number of parcels, particularly between Canada and the United States, an inclination which is attributed to the increase in the registration rate.

While the local mails are heavy, the up-land mails have also been unusually heavy, but in this section of the country the going is not so good as elsewhere, earlier mailing than usual has been noticed. The public is also growing more careful about wrapping, addressing, etc., although there is still a regrettable percentage of clumsily tied and labelled parcels, which give the postal employees unnecessary trouble and annoyance.

## Ottawa Will Suggest Use of Cable Previous to Summoning Conference

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—The cabinet has still to consider the invitation of the British Government to an Imperial conference on the Geneva protocol and disarmament. The invitation was received only yesterday and has still to go before the cabinet before a definite reply can be framed, but it is probable that Canada's reply will suggest that every means of exchanging opinions by means of cable should first be exhausted. It is pointed out here that both the Canadian and Australian Parliaments will go into session in January, and suggested for the conference, and without an adjournment of Parliament it would be impracticable for the Premier to attend.

## Centennial Pioneer Dies

ALBANY, Ore., Dec. 24.—Mrs. B. J. Heimick, aged 101 years, an Oregon pioneer of 1845, died here last night. Mrs. Heimick was born on July 4, 1823, in Indiana, and came to Oregon by ox team on her wedding trip.

## Three Children Burned To Death in Hotel Fire

STAMFORD, Texas, Dec. 24.—Three children are known to have been burned to death, and several other persons are feared to have lost their lives tonight when the Stamford Inn, a noted hotel of the Panhandle, was burned to the ground. Firemen are working to save the building, but the fire is so intense that it is feared the building will be lost. A checkup is being conducted late tonight to ascertain whether other guests were burned. The fire loss was estimated at \$75,000.

## Vancouver's Postoffice Record

VANCOUVER, Dec. 24.—All local postal records were buried under fathoms deep Tuesday when Vancouver's citizens tumbled an avalanche of approximately 400,000 letters on the postoffice. About 370,000 were whirled through stamp machines and estimates of the number that, by reason of size or nature of contents, were not put through the machine ran from 25,000 to 50,000.

## Railway Chiefs Wire Christmas Messages to City

CHRISTMAS greetings, coupled with a message of confidence in Victoria's prosperity for the New Year, were received yesterday by Mr. C. P. W. Schwenger, president of the Chamber of Commerce, from the presidents of Canada's two great transportation systems, Mr. E. W. Beatty, K. C., of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and Sir Henry Thornton, of the Canadian National Railway.

Mr. Beatty wired: "Many thanks for your message. Your good wishes are cordially reciprocated and I trust that our relations with Victoria will remain as amicable as they have been in the past."

Sir Henry's telegram follows: "I heartily reciprocate the kind wishes of the citizens of Victoria, which are transmitted to me in your message. I can assure you that I shall leave nothing undone to assist in the development of Victoria and I am looking forward to the day when the flag of all nations will fly from your harbor. I wish to you, citizens, to the Chamber of Commerce, to yourself and to my many friends in Victoria a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year."

## Merchants Report Greater Business

CHRISTMAS TRADE INCREASES OVER LAST YEAR

Cold Weather Does Not Deter Victorians From Making Generous Purchases at Yuletide Season

A heavier rush than for several years past, with a considerable increase over the business of the Christmas season of 1923, is the experience of the majority of Victoria businessmen, in connection with this year's Christmas business. The merchants report heavy shopping at this Yuletide period, and the season's business is much better than 1923, despite the cold snap.

The first two days of the cold weather, it is true, kept a large number of people indoors attending to their furnaces, pipes, etc., but when the weather grew milder the Christmas rush started in earnest, and then until late last night the stores have been busy meeting the requirements of their patrons.

The two big department stores—David Spence's, Limited, and the Hudson's Bay Company—both report heavy buying on the part of the public, and especially during the first three days of this week have been rushed. Their stores have been crowded day and night, and the last-minute wants of their customers were filled last night. These stores, together with the smaller business houses in the city, gave splendid service in aiding the public in their gifts, and most stores took on additional help in order that the situation thus created could be satisfactorily coped with.

While the early shopping campaign was carried out very successfully this year, the general public co-operating to a greater extent with the merchants in this respect than ever before, there were many who left their purchases until the last day or night, and therefore were the losers, but the aspect of receiving the most efficient service and not having the variety of selection that they would have had if they had done their buying earlier.

## PARIS CELEBRATES IN WONTED FORM

POPPING CORKS AND SACRED ANTHEMS MARK HOLY EVE

Midnight Mass in Every Church and Largest Crowds Since the War Patronize All-Night Cafes

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The popping of corks and the clinking of glasses in the boulevard cabarets and restaurants tonight marked the traditional carols, classical oratorio and other sacred compositions, as Paris celebrated the advent of another Christmas.

There was midnight mass in every church in Paris, with the appropriate anthems. There was also some music of varying shades and degrees of symbolism according to the diversified tastes of the population.

Two Separate Celebrations

For in Paris, Christmas Eve is composed of two well defined and separate celebrations, one providing food and drink for the body, and the other, artistic and religious nourishment for the soul. No statistics ever have been brought forward as to which celebration attracts the larger number.

Never since the Armistice was the all-night restaurants so crowded on Christmas Eve with celebrants. In spite of prohibitive prices, every table in the gaily lighted food and drink palaces had been reserved days ago, and hundreds of the tardy joy hunters were unable to find even standing room.

## Engineering Company Seeks Treasure in East

TOKIO, Dec. 24.—An agreement covering a treasure hunt at the bottom of the sea has been made by the Pacific Ocean Engineering Works of Japan with the Tokyo Marine Insurance Company. It has to do with \$500,000 in English gold coin, which went to the bottom of the Mediterranean Sea near the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Tanaka Maru was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine in 1917. The specie belonged to the Tokohama Specie Bank, but is now the property of the insurance company, which paid full insurance on the loss to the bank.

It is agreed that if the engineering company recovers the specie, it shall retain a per cent, returning 20 per cent to the insurance company.

## Whisky and Silks Seized On Steamer at Honolulu

HONOLULU, Dec. 24.—More than thirty bottles of whisky were seized by federal agents in a raid on the steamer President Cleveland on arrival from the Orient. The agents also seized silks valued at \$150,000, Chinese lottery tickets, shawls and curios valued at \$1,800, which, they allege, were not on the manifest.

## Hospital Chaplain Dead

MONTREAL, Dec. 24.—Rev. Father J. McCarthy, R. J. Roman Catholic chaplain to the Royal Victoria Hospital and for many years professor of literature at Loyola College, died suddenly today. He was in his sixtieth year. His death took place on the anniversary of his entrance into the Society of Jesus, thirty-eight years ago.

## OVER THIRTY PERISH IN FIRE AT SCHOOLHOUSE

Lighted Candle on Christmas Tree Is Cause of Fatal Blaze During Yuletide Eve Entertainment—Small Frame Building in Oklahoma Crowded to Capacity When Flames Break Out

HOBART, Okla., Dec. 25.—The toll of death in the fire which last night destroyed the Babb Schoolhouse, seven miles south of here, reached thirty-six at 1:30 o'clock this morning, when rescue workers made a further canvass of the ruins.

HOBART, Okla., Dec. 24.—More than thirty persons were burned to death in a fire which destroyed a country school, seven miles south of here, during Christmas entertainment tonight, according to reports here. The school, a one-story frame building, was packed to capacity when the fire started from a lighted candle on a Christmas tree. In an instant the tree and the flimsy structure were in flames, while those inside fought to escape through a lone exit.

## FRANTIC CROWD SEEKS EXIT BY SINGLE DOOR

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## Censor's Vacation Puts Spain's Papers Out of Business

MADRID, Dec. 24.—Christmas Eve found Spain isolated from communication with foreign countries because of the suspension of all telegraphic, telephonic and mail services. Even the censor closed his office in order to celebrate the Christmas at home. No newspapers were published.

## M. Herriot Meets Technical Defeat

SENATE REFUSES TO ACCEPT CHANGE BY CHAMBER

Deputies Insist That Amnesty Bill Compel Railroads to Reinstatement of Strikers of 1920

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The amnesty bill came back from the Chamber of Deputies to the Senate this afternoon and was the cause of Premier Herriot's government being defeated by eleven votes, a question regarding an amendment bringing out 154 votes against the Government's 143.

As the Government had not made the vote a question of confidence, M. Herriot's defeat did not preclude the resignation of the Ministry. The remaining clauses of the bill were voted, and the measure now returns for the second time to the Chamber.

The defeat of the government today was brought about by the presentation of the amendment to reinstate the railroad strikers in their positions.

Would Force Companies

The Government wanted the companies forced to reinstate the men, but the Senate refused to alter its stand that the reinstatement be optional.

It is on the question of railroad men that the two houses are divided. The Chamber voted that the employees who were let out in 1920 should be granted amnesty and the companies compelled to reinstate them.

The railroad companies had previously promised Premier Herriot to use their goodwill in behalf of the dismissed men, and the Premier had accepted the promise as sufficient.

M. Peytral, Minister of Public Works, however, was unwilling to let the phrase "if reinstatement occurs" appear in the bill, as giving the companies the right to refuse reinstatement. This phrase had been inserted by the Senate when the bill first came before it. When the measure went back to the Chamber that body decided to eliminate the phrase. Consequently, when the bill came back to the Senate today the Senate voted to reinstate the phrase and thus send the amended bill back to the Chamber.

## Believed That Appeal in Crow's Nest Case Is Granted With a Proviso

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—It is thought here that the Manitoba appeal has been granted in the Crow's Nest Pass case, with the proviso that the rates will be effective pending a re-hearing of the whole railway freight rates structure. An official announcement of the Government's decision will probably not be made for some days.

## Christmas Day Finds Many Federal Ministers Still at the Capital

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—Christmas Day finds many of the cabinet ministers of the Dominion Government at Ottawa, the cabinet council having met almost daily for weeks. It had a long session today and only those ministers who were unable to reach their homes in a few hours were able to get home for the holidays. One, at least, will spend the day aboard a train, Hon. W. R. Motherwell having entrained tonight for Regina, en route until the last minute by the cabinet council on the Crow's Nest Pass controversy. Many senators also are at their Ottawa homes for the holiday.

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## WINDSOR JUSTICE RELEASES WHISKY

DECLARES EXPORT PAPERS NOT ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY

Provided Proof of Bona Fide Sale for Export Is Forthcoming Police Cannot Interfere

WINDSOR, Ont., Dec. 24.—Magistrate Gundy, presiding in Windsor police court today, handed down an important decision in regard to liquor export cases when he ruled that the possession of export papers by shippers is not absolutely necessary if it can be established to the satisfaction of his court that the shipments are bona fide ones for distribution and sale in the United States.

Settled Near Windsor Dock

The judgment was given on when Magistrate Gundy dismissed a charge that the provincial police laid against Roy Steele, of Detroit and LaSalle, who was driving twenty-three cases of liquor over the Detroit River when his cargo was seized a few yards from the Windsor ferry dock.

Steele was awaiting his turn to drive on board one of the cross-river ferries when he was arrested. The cargo was to be turned over to George Shumacher, of Detroit, when it landed on the other side. Magistrate Gundy held that the liquor was immune from seizure by the police because, in his opinion, it had been legitimately purchased as export whisky and as such was being taken to Detroit for consumption outside of Canada.

## BURNING CROSS LIT IN PIONEER'S HONOR

SACRED SYMBOL ADORNS SUMMIT OF MOUNT ROYAL

Memory of Good Works of Founder of Montreal Commemorated in Striking Manner

MONTREAL, Dec. 24.—To symbolize the faith that fortified the founders of New France, who left their homes to come into the wilderness and build up the nation that has become Canada, the burning cross on the top of Mount Royal burst into light tonight at 5 o'clock. This cross, visible for miles down the St. Lawrence and shining over the city far into the south shore, will be a memorial to the survival of the Canadian people whose growth has been, in its constant struggle, parallel to the growth of the faith which is represented by the cross.

Timing of Illumination

Particularly significant is the timing of the first illumination for Christmas Eve. It was three centuries ago that Paul de Chomedu de Maisonneuve, the founder of Montreal, carried a huge cross of wood from the shore of the river on to Mount Royal on the feast of the Epiphany and planted it there, to give thanks to Providence for the protection of the newly born village against its foes. The present monument was erected and dedicated this year in commemoration of Maisonneuve's vow.

## Paroled Anti-Saloon Leaguer Arrested, When Leaving Jail, for Theft

ORRINGTON, N.Y., Dec. 24.—Released from Sing Sing prison on parole this morning after serving nine months for third degree larceny, William H. Anderson, former police superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, was immediately arrested on indictments charging grand larceny and extortion. Anderson's bail of \$5,000 was furnished by a surety company. He told newspapermen he had no statement to make.





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### The Colonist Will Not Be Issued Tomorrow

Christmas Day being a  
holiday for the employees of  
this paper, The Colonist will  
not be published tomorrow  
morning.

### EXEMPTIONS NAMED IN NEW LABOR LAW

WILL NOT TOUCH FISHING IN-  
DUSTRY IN ANY BRANCH

Certain Classes of Engineers and Cer-  
tain Workers in Logging Are  
Also Exempted

Exemptions from the provisions of  
the new Eight-Hour-Day law, which  
becomes operative in British Colum-  
bia on January 1, will include all  
workers in the fishing industry, cer-  
tain workers in the logging business,  
and specified classes of engineers and  
firemen, according to a statement  
made yesterday by Premier Oliver.

In the logging industry all opera-  
tors of launches, all men engaged in  
booming operations, all operators of  
transportation systems such as rail-  
way cars, workers employed in  
handling logs by trucks or horses,  
and engineers employed in the up-  
keep and operation of donkey engines  
are exempt from the new law.

All workers in cook and bunk  
houses in the camps of the province  
are also exempt.

Not only the fishing industry itself,  
but cannery and curing fish or fish  
products are allowed exemption.

All workers employed in ship-  
building and metal trades industries  
will be allowed to work fifteen hours  
per man per month over and above  
the limitations of the new law in  
order to execute work necessary to  
keep other industries in operation. A  
record of this overtime work, how-  
ever, must be reported monthly to  
the office of the Board of Adjustment.

In all industries which use steam  
as a motive power and which operate  
on a one-shift basis, the engineer  
and firemen in charge will be allowed  
to work overtime to the extent of an  
hour and a half per day to cover "pre-  
paratory or complementary work."

In addition to the industries ex-  
empted from the Board of Adjustment,  
the agricultural, horticultural and  
dairy industries in all their branches  
are exempted under the new law li-  
cense.

Except for these exemptions, how-  
ever, every industry in British Col-  
umbia will work on an eight-hour  
day, commencing January 1. An in-  
dustry, of course, is considered as  
any business which is actually pro-  
ducing a marketable product.

**Farming**  
The exemptions of the agricultural,  
horticultural and dairy industries  
will include creameries, dairies, fruit  
cannings, fruit packing and dehydrat-  
ing plants.

So that industries may be allowed  
to give their workers half holidays  
on Saturday the Board of Adjust-  
ment will allow them to work for  
eight hours and forty-five minutes a  
day for five days a week with a four-  
hour Saturday.

The Board of Adjustment will  
make new regulations and allow new  
exemptions from the law from time  
to time as industrial conditions  
change.

### MONEY FOR RELIEF OF UNEMPLOYMENT

CONSIDERABLE PORTION FOR  
VANCOUVER ISLAND

Work Will Consist Mainly of Road  
Building and Repairs in  
Various Districts

Expenditure of the relief vote of  
\$100,000, passed by the Legislature  
during the recent session for the relief  
of unemployed in various sections of  
British Columbia, will be commenced  
immediately, according to a statement  
made yesterday by Hon. Dr. Ruther-  
land, Minister of Public Works.

The portion allotted to relieve the  
situation in Victoria will be spent in  
leveling and improving the grounds  
behind the Parliament buildings,  
where huge heaps of earth taken from  
excavations made for the buildings  
will be removed. Road building on  
the Songhees Reserve will also be un-  
dertaken. Other men will be engaged  
in the task of improving the Shawi-  
nash cut-off road, principally by  
cutting down the dangerous incline  
known as the Fitzgerald Hill. An-  
other gang of men will be given work  
in the Sooke district in ditching and  
repairing roads.

Relief work in the interior of the  
Province, according to the Minister's  
programme, includes slashing the  
right-of-way for the new Transpro-  
vincial Highway between Hope and

Yale, and leveling the grade at Hope,  
widening the road and slashing be-  
tween Rosedale and Hope, certain  
work in West Vancouver for which  
\$3,000 will be provided, sewerage  
work in South Vancouver amounting  
to \$10,000, clearing of lands on the  
site of the University of British Col-  
umbia, road work between Deroche  
and Harrison Bay, two miles of road  
repairing between Hasling and Bar-  
nett, two miles at Port Moody, six  
miles on the Silver Star Road, Dewdney.

Looking back over these articles,  
and the twenty-eight volumes of his  
collected writings, he finds in them  
all "the thrust of the natural and  
conscious and convinced reactionary."  
He has written against:

The clothes we wear and the food  
we eat;

The houses we live in;

Our schools, our amusements, our  
money;

Our ways of trading;

Our ways of making;

Our compromises and agreements  
and laws;

Our articles of political association;  
The British Empire;

The American Constitution.

"I think," he explains, "most of  
the food bad, the houses wretched,  
the schools starved and feeble, the  
amusements dull, the monetary  
methods silly, our ways of trading  
base and wasteful, our methods of  
production piecemeal and wasteful,  
our political arrangements solemnly  
ridiculous. Most of my activities have  
been to get my soul and something  
of my body out of the customs, out-  
look, boredom and contaminations  
of the current phase of life." That  
is why Mr. Wells is a "creative revolu-  
tionary."

His imagination takes refuge from  
the state of today in a world like a  
great garden, various, orderly, lov-  
ingly cared for, dangerous still, but  
no longer dismal; secure from base  
and dull preoccupations; and he has  
come to believe in the complete pos-  
sibility of such a world.

To illustrate how a larger mind  
would view his own mass of writings  
on this subject he tells a story of













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The Unknown Quantity—Ethel M. Dell  
The House of the Arrow—A. E. W. Mason  
The Enchanted Mill—Peter R. Kynne  
The Three of Clubs—Valentine Williams  
Three Pilgrims and a Tinker  
The Coming of Anna—Mary Borden  
The Old Ladies—W. J. Lewis  
The Old Man of the Sea  
The Golden Ladder—Compton Mackenzie  
The Golden Ball—De Vere Sturges  
The Little French Girl—Mrs. Sedgwick  
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The Passionate Quest—Oppenheim  
And Many Others

### NOTABLE BOOKS NON-FICTION

Van Loon's Story of the Bible  
Tales of Travel—Curzon  
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Strachey's Queen Victoria, New, cheap  
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Control Board.

## City & District

**Stealing Charge**—Thomas Mahon, charged in the Police Court with stealing an automobile was remanded yesterday morning until Friday.

**Bishop Preaching**—There will be a carol service at St. Mark's Church on Sunday at 7 p.m., when the Bishop of Columbia will preach.

**Battalion Reunion**—The reunion of the 67th Battalion that was to be held on Saturday, 27th, will be postponed until Saturday, January 3, 1925, time and place to be announced later.

**U.S. Motor Car Stolen**—Travelers from California, who are visiting in Victoria, reported the theft of their car to the police station last night. The vehicle was taken from Blackwood Street about 9:30 o'clock.

**Pleads Irresponsibility**—In the Police Court yesterday when the charge against Walter Taddie of breaking windows was called, the court was asked to adjourn the hearing on the plea that the accused was mentally deficient and it was proposed to put in evidence to substantiate this contention. An adjournment was accordingly taken until Friday.

**Oak Bay Friendly Help**—A meeting of the Oak Bay Friendly Help was held on Tuesday. Many cases of needy families were reported and arrangements made for distributions of Christmas hampers, fuel, etc. The society wish to thank the following for donations: Mrs. Tuckey, Mr. L. G. Solon, Miss Twinn, Mrs. A. J. Wainson, Mrs. W. J. Goepel, Mrs. P. Goepel, Mrs. Parnell, Mrs. Mair, Mr. P. Curtis, Mr. E. F. Marquhar, Mr. Pennington, Mrs. A. R. Graham, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Cartwright, Mrs. W. P. Walker, Mrs. Hare, Mrs. Nicholas, anonymous.

**Concert at Malvern House**—Malvern House School held its Christmas concert and "end of term" exercise on Tuesday evening. The pupils presented a varied programme to a well-filled hall. Two sketches put on by the pupils were the main features and brought a hearty response from a very appreciative audience. Following the entertainment, Mr. Emmerson, the head master, addressed the gathering, complimenting the prize winning pupils on their good work. He ended by the Rev. N. E. Carter and Mr. Gordon Shaw, Mr. Emmerson distributed the prizes and term reports. The Rev. W. Barton then gave a brief address on the importance of character building during the formative period of a child's life. He congratulated the pupils on the opportunity presented for development under the traditional discipline of an English private school. At the close of the address refreshments were served around the Christmas tree in one of the schoolrooms. The following pupils received prizes: Joan Hamblin, for highest in all subjects; Rex Cranston, arithmetic; Dorothy Deveraux, drawing; Aletha Curless, attendance; Alex. Dobble, Scripture; Fred Quirk, French; in the primary I. Muriel Barnett, highest in all subjects; Eleanor Dopp, attendance; Giff. Murdoch, British Museum; and Brudie Quirk, for neatness.

## Imperial Museum Is Vivid War Portrayal

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Daily News has this account of the opening of the Imperial War Museum at Kensington:

"The Imperial War Museum takes you straight back to all the horror and heroism of 1914-18. Most of the exhibits were shown at the Crystal Palace between 1920 and 1922, but there they were lost in the crushing immensity of the place. In its new condensed form at the Imperial Institute the museum is far more effective. Perhaps its most striking feature is that it tells the truth about war. On the ground floor you see all the machinery of war—the big guns, gas projectors, high-explosive shells—and on the floor above you see something of what happens when men come up against this machinery. Visitors will look in vain for anything that glorifies war. There are no prancing horses or immaculate soldiers, but just the plain, stark truth about the horror of it all. One of U. E. Nevinson's suppressed pictures, considered too painful to be shown during the war, now occupies a prominent position. Sargent's 'Gassed' is another powerful indictment of war which gains immensely from its new setting. Two of the galleries are devoted to war pictures and portraits by Sir John Lavery and Sir William Orpen, given by the artists."

Emporia, Kansas, with a population of 11,000 has authorized its City Commissioners to substitute buses for the street railway. This decision was made after buses had been tried out along the routes where street cars had been running for twelve years. Two bus lines are already in operation and other lines will be established as soon as the type of bus is decided upon.

### THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B.C., at 5 p.m., December 24, 1924.

The barometer shows signs of falling on the Northern coast, and milder weather may become general after Christmas. High zero temperatures continue in Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

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# Greetings

The Governor and Company  
of Adventurers of England, trading into  
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one of their customers, their best wishes  
for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and  
Prosperous New Year.





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## Pope Opens Ceremony to Lure Millions to Rome

His Holiness Strikes Massive Door of Basilica of St. Peter's With Golden Hammer and Great Bells of Mother Church Peal Forth the Tidings—Lighted Candles and Chanting of Verses Are Picturesque Features of Outstanding Service

ROME, Dec. 24.—Pope Pius XI, surrounded by the splendor of medieval pageantry customary for such occasions, today proclaimed the opening of the twenty-third Holy Year in the history of the Papacy, and performed the picturesque ceremony of knocking down the Holy Door of the basilica of St. Peter's with the symbolic solid gold hammer.

The Pontiff thus initiated a series of ceremonies which are expected to attract to Rome during the ensuing year millions of pilgrims from all over the world.

The regal magnificence of today's ceremony, the richness of the pontifical robes, the multicolored uniforms of the Vatican forces, and the diaphanous and canopies that lent gorgeous color to the general background left a panorama of solemn grandeur impressed on the minds of the favored hundreds who saw the ceremony at close range and the thousands of others who filled the spacious basilica and overflowed into the expansive square in front.

By far the most impressive part of this age-old yet ever new ceremony was that in which the Pope, holding in his right hand the little gold hammer which somewhat resembles in shape an ordinary carpenter's gavel, struck thrice the massive holy door, which, in accordance with plans previously worked out by the "sacristani"—the corps of workmen permanently employed to keep the great edifice in repair—yielded in these three blows, gradually falling open. It will remain open during holy year, after which the door will be replaced and will remain closed another twenty-five years until open again by the same ceremony.

Immediately after the holy door had fallen open and was rolled away on rollers that previously had been attached, the news was proclaimed by the pealing of the bells of the great mother church, in which the bells of all the other four hundred churches of the Eternal City joined.

Once in Twenty-Three Years.—The inhabitants of Rome usually are more or less indifferent toward ceremonies in St. Peter's, which pilgrims from afar would almost give a right arm to see, but the ritual of opening the holy door, coming as it does only every twenty-five years, was enough today to lift the occasion far above the ordinary. It therefore served as a magnet not only for the tens of thousands of Romans who can see the great dome of Michelangelo any time as they go about their daily tasks.

All around the portico, even under the statue of Constantine, were tribunes and boxes decorated in red and gold for the diplomatic corps, the Roman aristocracy, the order of Malta, the family of the Pope, and one section reserved for members of



POPE PIUS

visiting royal families. In a special place facing the throne was erected a stand for the Sistine choir, conducted by Abbe Lorenzo Perosi and for the six heralds with their six famous silver trumpets for announcing the arrival and departure of the Pope.

The main aisle of the basilica had been rolled off, leaving it free for the papal procession, while the remainder of the interior was reserved for the public.

When everything was ready for the ceremony to begin the Pontiff was carried from his apartments in a closed sedan chair which first halted in the Sistine chapel, where the Holy Father knelt to worship. Taking the center offered him by Cardinal Merry del Val, first ranking member of the order of prelates in the Sacred College, the Pontiff incensed three times the blessed sacrament, while the Sistine choir sang "Veni Creator."

## Pope Proclaims 23rd Jubilee Year Of Catholicism

ROME, Dec. 24.—The twenty-third jubilee year in the history of Catholicism was solemnly proclaimed from the Vatican by Pope Pius XI today. The pontiff also, with a jeweled-studded gold hammer, knocked down the holy door in the basilica of St. Peter's during a ceremony, the brilliance and mystic picturesqueness of which was brought into bold relief because of the fact that it is one of the few examples of stately antiquity that has survived the rush toward modernity.

ored uniforms. Then came functionaries carrying the triple crown, the jeweled mitre and the papal cross, flanked on either side by lighted candles.

A Striking Troup.—There followed a striking group of altar boys. All the members of the College of Cardinals living in Rome, or who came for the purpose, were present, except Cardinals Isidoro Vannutelli and Pomilio, who meanwhile were opening the holy doors of the basilica of St. Paul, Santa Maria Maggiore and St. John Lateran, respectively. Each cardinal in the procession was accompanied by a trainbearer and by a master of ceremonies in Elizabethan costume.

The arrival of the Pope in the portico was heralded by the six silver trumpets sounding the celebrated pontifical march composed by Longhi. While everybody knelt he descended from the Sedia Gestatoria and went to the papal throne. All eyes turned toward the Pope, who, after praying, ascended the steps leading to the holy door and struck it three times with the golden hammer, saying as he did so:

"Anarite mihi portas iustitie."

And the singing chaplains answered:

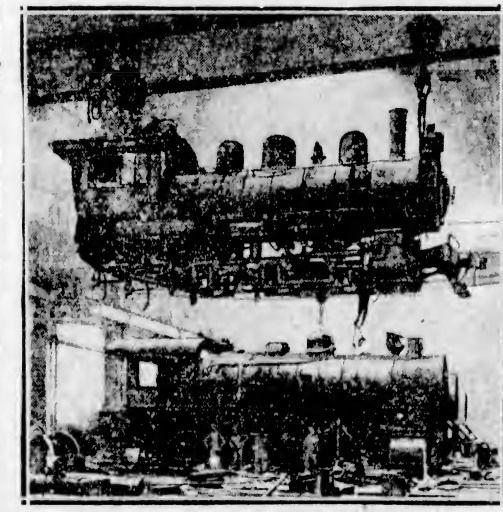
"Ingressus in eam conspexit domum."

The blows of the golden hammer struck a large slate tablet put up for the purpose on which a cross had been engraved. The yielding of the door to the Pontiff's blows was not immediate. He went back to his throne and it was only then—several moments later—that the master of ceremonies, by means of a special yellow silk rope, at the other end of which a bell was attached, notified the "sacristani" on the other side that the ceremony was over and that the door might now be let down. Slowly the massive door was lowered and was immediately rolled away.

With this, the pontifical service of the Vatican business, using sponges, washed with holy water all the parts of the aperture left bare after the holy door was removed, and also dried those parts by specially blessed towels. At this moment the bells of St. Peter's, followed by those of Rome's other four hundred churches, pealed forth the tidings that Holy Year had actually begun.

Pope Chants Prayers.—Simultaneously the Pope, standing erect on the throne, chanted prayers of thanksgiving for having granted him grace for inaugurating the Holy Year and the Sistine choir sang the

## End of Old-Time Locomotive



One of the first of Canada's iron horses is lifted bodily by the huge 120-ton crane, and is transferred to another part of the Canadian Pacific Angus Shops for further dismantling. The old order given place to the new 2300 type of passenger locomotive.

sublime music of Palestrina. Then the Pope, holding a lighted candle in his left hand a cross in his right, went to the holy door and knelt on its threshold, where the Te Deum. The Pontiff was the first to cross the threshold, followed by Cardinals Bilel and Lega, and then by all the other cardinals, who kissed the doorpost as they passed.

Pius then went into the chapel of the Pietà, where he entrusted the custody of the holy door for the ensuing year to the religious brotherhoods of Rome. In so doing he delivered an address in which he recalled the meanings of the Holy Year and holy door. He explained that the holy door is a symbol of the marvelous eternal doors of the City of God, to which admission is granted only to those who have purified themselves through expiation or through acquiring indulgence. He emphasized the importance of the injunction that the holy door should never be profaned and ended by imparting the apostolic benediction.

After a short rest the Pope again entered the Sedia Gestatoria and, in the same procession as the preceding year, he proceeded to the altar of the confession in the center of the basilica directly underneath the great dome.

Standing on the altar, the Holy Father, after having read the ritual formula of the benediction, imparted the apostolic blessing to the kneeling multitude. Afterward Cardinals Bilel and Lega read in the Latin and Italian languages the formula of the plenary indulgence granted for the jubilee year.

This over, His Holiness, still carried in the same procession, retired

to his apartments, and the ceremony was ended.

In the afternoon the main doors of St. Peter's were thrown open to the public, and great streams of devout flowed past the holy door, each kissing the doorpost as he passed.

Will Not Improve  
Ice for Skating

Hard Life at Beacon Hill Park Suffers as Result of Ice, Parks Committee Chairman Declares

The committee cannot see its way clear to encourage skating at Beacon Hill Park because of the adverse effect on bird life," said Ald. E. S. Woodward, chairman of the parks and boulevards committee, when asked last night whether the city would sweep and flood the present sheet of ice at the park to render it more suitable for skating.

"Mr. Thomas Purdy, parks superintendent, has informed us that the birds at the lakes, many of them, valuable specimens, suffer considerably while the ice remains," Mr. Woodward continued. "Their hardships are accentuated by the large numbers of skaters; the aim, thus, is to hasten the departure of the ice, not to prolong its existence."

Kills Police and Struck \$50,000.—NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24.—Jacob L'He, traffic policeman, was shot and killed this morning by a bandit who robbed the Frenchman Street branch of the Marine Bank of \$11,000.

## DOG CAN MULTIPLY, ADD AND SUBTRACT

Mathematical Problems Are Easy to "Chumny." Four-Year-Old Toronto Bull Terrier

TORONTO, Dec. 24.—Chumny, a four-year-old Boston bull terrier of Toronto, is a mathematical dog wonder. He distinguishes between questions: multiples, adds, subtracts, or divides, and without hesitation. The interviewer went to see if the dog was as good as he had heard.

His owner held a tussle in his hand, looked deep into Chumny's eyes for half a minute, then asked him "How old are you?" Chumny gave four quick barks—and got the answer. "How many toes have you?" He barked one, then after a pause, six times, to indicate 18. "How many ears?" Two quick barks. "How many tails have you?" One indignant thump with that appendage on the floor. These were merely elementary questions, however, and harder ones were given him. "What is three times four?" He barked once, stopped, then twice. He was asked to add five, four and six. By his dot and dash system the answer came in a flash, one, five. His last test was the hardest. He was asked to multiply 12 by 14. He began to bark before his listener had finished his mental calculation, and the dog was several laps ahead of him and he failed to count the barks Chumny was asked to do it again slower, and he was closely checked up, but the answer was correct, one bark, six barks and eight barks, 168. There was no collision between dog and master, so perhaps the explanation

## CITY TEMPLE TO HAVE NOVEL SERVICE

A service unique in its simplicity, yet full of interest, will be held on Sunday evening next at the City Temple when Dr. Clem Davies will conduct a Congregational Christmas Carol Choral, in which the audience will take part, led by the Glend Temple Shrine Band, assisted by the Temple choir. Practically all the well-known and most loved carols will be sung, and the platform effects will be unusually pretty, with the band and choir arranged around a Christmas tree and open fireplace, with electrical effects. Illuminated yew wreaths and Bethlehem Star will also be part of the decorations. The band will begin the service at 7:30 with an opening number entitled "Around the Christmas Tree," arranged by Mr. James Miller, the conductor, to include all the yuletide musical selections. The band offertory will be Handel's "Largo." Mr. George Townsend, of Seattle, baritone, will sing "Fear Not Ye, O Israel," and the choir, under the direction of Mr. George W. Deaville, will sing "And the Glory of the Lord," from the Messiah. Dr. Clem Davies will deliver his New Year message, entitled "The City Temple, Looking Backward and Forward."

The morning subject will be "Is Evolution Anti-Christian?" Mr. A. W. Palmer will sing a selection from the Messiah at the morning service. The City Club Orchestra has kindly consented to play the half-hour musical prelude during the half hour from seven till seven-thirty o'clock prior to the evening service.

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# Social Events

## Dance Hosts

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Tripp, 1684 Yale Street, entertained at a delightful dance last evening for the pleasure of their daughters, Miss Lois and Miss Audrey Tripp. The rooms were prettily decorated with holly and evergreens. During the evening a delicious buffet supper was served. Those present were: Miss Kathleen Ross, Miss Helen Hayward, Miss Mae Dinsdale, Miss Fay Foster, Miss Nora Goodacre, Miss Janet Hearn, Miss Eleanor Dinsdale, Miss Justa McKenna, Miss Audrey Tooley, Miss Doris Weolsson, Miss Margaret Adam, Miss Margaret Chaplin, Miss Gwendolyn Dawson, Miss Grace Hunter, Miss Peggy Dinsdale, Miss Wynne Henderson, Miss Margaret Fawcett, Miss Inez Pender, Miss Agnes Bond, Miss Doris Kenny, Miss Jenny Andrews, Miss Kathleen Haynes, Miss Evelyn Goddard, Miss Aurora Aursell (Chiro), and Messrs. Ted Moore, Cedric Walker, Charlie Fraser, Dennis Hagar, Tom Woolson, Ben McMillan, Stanley Haynes, Blair Dickson, Arthur Fraser, Walter Fraser, Robert Haynes, Vincent Dawson, Peter Bell Don, McLean, Don Cameron, Billy Oliver, Bob Mitchell, Fred Kenny, Ray Ditchburn, Leighton McKelving, Joe Ross, Waldo Phillips, Rusey Coulter, Charlie McKay, Bud Hocking, George Turner, Mac Underwood, Arthur Godfrey (Vancouver).

## Honors Daughter

On Tuesday night Mrs. A. J. Fraser entertained at a delightful dance at her home on Joan Crescent, in honor of her daughter, Miss Ethel Fraser. In the various rooms holly and chrysanthemums were effectively combined in floral decoration. The invited guests included: The Misses Pamela Winslow, Sheila McBride, Helen Hemmelf, Alice Code, Jean Johnson, Betty Seiler, Betty Christie, Mary Martin, Carita Leeder, Margot

Homer Dixon, Betty Ditty, Kathleen Haynes, Mary Sutherland, Louise Wilkerson, Pamela Charlewood, Kathleen Holmes, Mary Martin, Grima, of Vancouver, Jean Campbell, Helen Campbell, Marjorie Fraser, Marjorie Mitchell, Barbara Grant, Marion Ferrie, Masters Jim Redpath, Jim Martin, Allan McLean, Douglas Cree, Billy Oliver, Charles Helsterman, Lorne Campbell, John Symons, John Lecky, Louis Bonding, Harry Ditty, Darle Scott, Martin Wilson, Kirby Hierchner, E. McIntosh, D. Mulligan, Donald Campbell, Eric Spurgeon, Tom Christie, Ernest Cole, Monckland Charlewood and John Hedley.

## Christmas Eve Ball

Very enjoyable was the Christmas Eve ball held last night at the Chamber of Commerce auditorium, attended by over 250 guests, who joined in the dancing to Holter's Big Bird Orchestra from 9 until after 2 this morning. The musical programme was of the finest order, and the applause received by the musicians was well merited. The hall was most festively decorated, and gaily colored streamers, garlands, and Christmas trees and carnival hats added just that touch of joyousness which the occasion required, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present, including a large number of winter visitors who are residing here temporarily, and who last night assembled at the dance.

## Entertaining at Dinner

Among the hosts who are entertaining at dinner this evening at the James Bay Hotel are Colonel and Mrs. David Donald, Dr. and Mrs. Denton Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Streatfield, Mr. and Mrs. Wolfenden, Captain W. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Weston, Colonel and Mrs. Nelson of Kelowna, and Mr. and Mrs. Matthews.

## Dinner Hostess

Mrs. H. F. Bullen entertained at dinner last night at their home on St. Charles Street in honor of her guests, Mr. and Mrs. Van Hogen, of Vancouver, and Dr. and Mrs. Adams, of Duncan. The table was prettily decorated with pink roses and violets.

## From Lake Lenore

Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Ogilvie and their little son have arrived from Lake Lenore, B.C., to spend Christmas with Mrs. Ogilvie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. V. Robertson, 1343 Pembroke Street.

## Goes to Napp Island

Mrs. Gaudin has left to spend the Christmas holidays with her son-in-

law and daughter, Colonel and Mrs. Harvey, Napp Island. Miss Katie Gaudin will also spend the Christmas season with Colonel and Mrs. Harvey.

## At Devonshire House

Among the visitors spending Christmas at Devonshire House are Miss I. Willis, of Shawinigan; Miss N. Sterry, of Duncan; Miss Stella Mason, of Victoria; and Miss Hawthornthwaite, of Sidney.

## Holiday Here

Mrs. Beasley and little daughter, of Courtenay, and Miss Jean Beasley, who is attending the R. C. University at Vancouver, are spending the holidays in Victoria and are staying at Devonshire House.

## Arrive for Christmas

The Hon. and Mrs. H. B. McGivern, of Ottawa, are spending Christmas at Brenta Lodge, with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh McGivern.

## Here from Portland

Mr. and Mrs. Len Fairley, and baby daughter, of Portland, Ore., are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Fowkes, 21 Olympian Avenue.

## Here for Holidays

Mr. Arthur Gregory, of Nelson, a student of the University of British Columbia, is spending Christmas with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Fraser, of Vancouver Street.

## From Seattle

Mrs. Robert Barclay and sons, Masters Hobby and Iate, of Seattle, are spending the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. Bromley, 620 Alpha Street.

## From Vancouver

Miss Vivian Moggey has arrived in the city from Vancouver to spend the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Moggey, 234 Vancouver Street.

## Here for Christmas

Mr. Jack Dewry has arrived in Victoria to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Dewry, Linden Avenue.

## Go to Ottawa

After spending some time in this Province, Mr. and Mrs. Tremaine Sheppard have taken up their residence at 82 Park Avenue, Ottawa.

## At Ottawa

Hon. Hewitt Bostock and Mrs. Bostock, of Monie Creek, B. C., have taken up their residence in Ottawa for the seasonal months.

## Goes South

Owing to the illness of her sister, Miss Ellen Ferrabee left here last Saturday for Oakland, Cal., where her family is now residing.

## Here for Winter

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mackenzie, of Maple Bay, Duncan, are staying for the winter months at the Alexandra House, Courtenay Street.

## On Visit Here

Mr. Dallas Skillen, of Vancouver, has arrived in Victoria to spend his Christmas holiday with his mother, Mrs. Skillen, Chandler Avenue.

## Hosts at Party

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Pemberton were hosts at an informal Christmas party last night at their home, "Mountjoy."

## WEDDINGS

### Lake-Crewe

Yesterday afternoon a quiet wedding took place at "Breadalbane," the minister's residence, when Miss Rev. J. Campbell, D.D., officiated at a ceremony which made Miss Theima Crewe, of Nanaimo, the bride of Mr. David Arthur Lake, of James Island. The bride, who was unattended, was very pretty in a dark grey travelling suit with hat and gloves. Mr. Lake, who is a native of Northfield, and Mrs. Lake, a native of Nanaimo, will be the evening train for Nanaimo to enjoy the Christmas holidays at the residence of the bride's parents, after which they will make their home on James Island.

### White-Cain

A wedding of much interest took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Hurst, 1632 Chambers Street, on December 20, at 8:30 p.m., when the Rev. Dr. Wilson united in marriage Miss Myra A. Cain, only daughter of Mrs. Mary Cain, and the late Mr. George Cain, of 38 Lark Street, Toronto, to Mr. D. R. E. White, second son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. White, of Beaverton, Ontario. The bride was given in marriage by Mr. H. Hurst, cousin of the groom. The bride looked beautiful in a French beaded gown of cocoa brown georgette and carried a bouquet of Ranunculus roses. Miss Dorothy Peden, the bridesmaid, was dressed in a peach broadened crepe trimmed with ostrich and carried a bouquet of maparoons. The groom was supported by Mr. Haley Jackson. After a short honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. White will reside in this city.

## PLANS COMPLETE FOR CIVIL SERVICE BALL

The Civil Service Association committee of management reminds those who have reserved tickets for the grand fancy dress carnival ball to be held in the Alexandra House ballroom tomorrow night, but who have not yet obtained them, that they can do so at the door of the Alexandra before the dance. A few tickets unsold may be purchased in a similar manner at the door. Parties made up at the last moment may, therefore, be reasonably certain to obtain tickets. A phone message to Mr. A. M. D. Fairbairn, \$15.50, will remove any doubt.

The ballroom Christmas colors of green, crimson and silver, the variegated lighting, the gay costumes, and the superb music of Freccott's Symphony Orchestra, will furnish a scene of color and merriment lasting from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m., seldom paralleled.

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## Christmas Eve in Fairyland

By KATHLEEN WOODLEY

Outside the world looked bare and cold. A white covering of snow lay over the ground and the trees, bare of leaves, looked bleak and lonely. It was Christmas Eve and Babs had stopped decorating to gaze out of the window. "I wonder," she said, "how the fairies keep Christmas?"

"Do you?" said a voice, and what had appeared to be a singularly large snowflake turned into a dainty little fairy in shimmering white.

"Oh!" gasped Babs, and then remembering her manners, "Good afternoon."

"Good afternoon," replied the little fairy. "I have been watching your work. You are a very good worker. And so you want to know how the fairies keep Christmas?"

"Babs nodded assent. "Would you like to come and see for yourself?" continued the fairy. She was really very pretty, thought Babs.

"I'd love to go," said Babs. "Well, come outside, then. Don't bother to put a coat on." Babs quickly obeyed. When she was outside the fairy touched Babs with her wand and immediately she was the size of the fairy. The little fairy flung some snow over Babs, and touching it with her wand, changed it into a filmy white dress. "That will keep you warm," said the fairy. "Now we will go, and grass!"

Babs' hand, she rose into the air. Like two little snowflakes they floated along until they suddenly loomed against a cave's mouth hidden by snowdrifts. They floated down to the ground, and letting go of Babs' hand, the fairy entered the cave, bidding Babs follow.

Inside the cave it was very dark, but at one end Babs discerned a faint light. This light was formed, she found, from beautiful colored icicles on either side of a narrow passageway. The passage was very long and winding, but suddenly out upon a large hall. Babs gasped with delight and amazement. The whole chamber was composed of icicles hanging like crystal lights of a million colors. The walls shone like silver, while at one end of the hall was a raised dais, also composed of icicles. Fairies were gathered in groups here and there, evidently preparing for a festival. The fairies' dresses were beautiful and of colors matching in beauty the icicles that surrounded them. Babs looked at her companion and saw to her surprise that her dress was of a turquoise blue embroidered in pearls.

Down at herself to see if her dress had changed, and sure enough she saw a dainty coral pink dress covered with shimmering white gauze.

Suddenly the fairies began to line up in two rows around the hall, and a hush fell upon those assembled. A door at one end of the hall suddenly opened and two little fairies dressed in white appeared. Closely following them was a fairy dressed in such marvellous clothes that Babs uttered an exclamation. It was the fairy queen, and she advanced towards the dais, smiling at her adoring subjects. She was dressed in a gown of various hues that changed as she walked. On her fair curls was a dainty crown of diamonds, and she wore a train

## Fashions and Foibles

By Shirley Sharon



For the debutante, the bridesmaid or the bride, nothing fills the eye so satisfactorily as the period frock with its fitted bodice and bouffant skirt.

For the dinners and dances and theatre parties that run through a young girl's season in the wedding that so often ends it, the frocks that one sees the oftenest and that please the most are the robes de style with their full skirts, fitted bodices and lovely colors. A bouffant skirt of ivory tulle with pale green satin bodice and pale green slippers and feathers around flowers of lemon yellow and marigold orange, a frock of Natter blue tulle with dark blue ostrich around pinkish mauve flowers, or rose geranium chiffon velvet with flowers of silver and blue charming for either evening frocks or bridesmaids' dresses. For the bride herself, the gown should be of white satin embroidered with roses in pearls and crystals and worn with orange blossoms.

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## J. B. A. A. Dance in Empress Ballroom Tomorrow Evening

The big Boxing Day dance, which the James Bay Athletic Association is holding, will take place tomorrow evening in the ballroom of the Empress Hotel. Dancing will be enjoyed from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., and the music will be furnished by Professor Charlie Hunt's band of syncopators. The function promises to be one of the most successful ever conducted by the J.B.A.A., and undoubtedly will prove a most appropriate climax to the Christmas celebrations in the city.

The demand for tickets has been very brisk. The few remaining may be secured at the Empress Hotel.

strewn with pearls. When she had reached the throne she clapped her hands and an invisible band of music began to play in accompaniment with a laughing fountain near the throne.

Then the fairies began to waltz, and Babs' fairy friend led her to the Queen. The fairy Queen greeted Babs graciously. "We are glad to see such an admiring mortal, and hope you will enjoy watching our little festival. This," she said with an air of her hand, "is how we keep Christmas Eve."

"I think you're just lovely," said Babs, "and your Winter Palace is just—oh, I don't know how to describe it. It's just wonderful!"

The Fairy Queen was very pleased, and as Babs did not care to dance, she let her sit by her and amused Babs by telling her the fairies' names and telling little jokes about them. The Queen also saw that Babs had the choicest refreshments, and honey served on silver plates and in silver goblets had never tasted so delicious, thought Babs.

At last the magical evening came to a close, and her fairy friend escorted her home. "I know how to describe it. It's just wonderful!"

## KITCHEN GLEE CLUB DELIGHTS PATIENTS

Programme Given in Connection With Jubilee Hospital Christmas Tree in Children's Ward

An orchestra, whose conductor carries a rolling-pin for a baton, is almost certain to show considerable originality in other respects, and the guests who crowded the children's ward at the Royal Jubilee Hospital for the annual Christmas tree celebration last evening were not disappointed in the measure of the entertainment provided by the enterprising Kitchen Glee Club, which was headed by a lady armed with this weapon. The industry with which the several members of this musical organization played egg-beater, mince pie cream, mince, meat mince, nutmeg grater, etc., had its reward in the shrieks of laughter and long applause which hailed the best ever presented in connection with this event. Mr. George McGregor, chairman of the board of directors, presided, and in addition to the singing Christmas tree, with its glittering decorations and mountain of sheltered parcels, there were the six little patients of the children's ward, most of them lying in their cots; some forty-five adult patients, who were sufficiently convalescent to be permitted to join in the evening's entertainment; and numerous hospital directors, nurses and other members of the hospital staff.

Santa Claus, of course, was an early arrival, and in due course offered gaily in the distribution of the gifts for young and old, small and big. Miss Jessie Mackenzie, director of nurses, directed the programme, which opened with "The Glee Club singing 'Weehee Ye the Steps.' This organization, composed of pupil nurses of the hospital, led by Mrs. Green, was enthusiastically received, and was called back for an encore, "Glee Farewell." After this the order of the numbers was: Whistling solo, Miss D. Jones; recitation, "Inventor's Wife," Miss Ness; piano solo, Miss O'Connell; recitation, Miss Norton; vocal solo, Miss Lowley; duet, Miss Jones and Miss Smith; violin solo, Miss H. Jones; recitation, Master Templeton (clerk); vocal solo, Miss Temple; Kitchen Glee Club. This programme to an end with the singing of "Good-Night, Ladies."

Among the directors who were present were: Messrs. George McGregor, chairman of the board; Shandley, Brown, Drake, Harvey, Conyers and Wallace, and Dr. Bapty. Dr. Bapty, medical superintendent of the hospital, was also present, together with all the members of the staff who could be released from duty.

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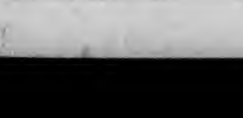
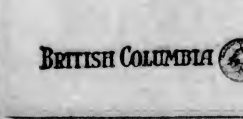
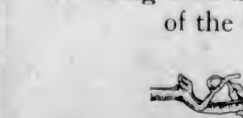
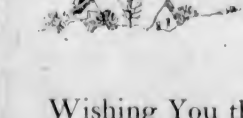
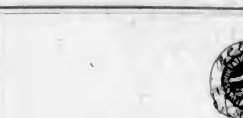
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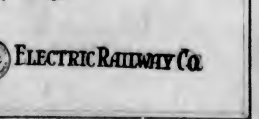
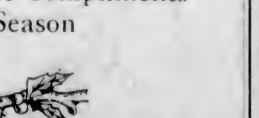
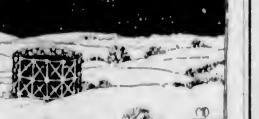
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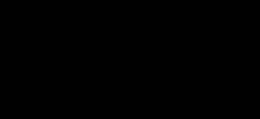
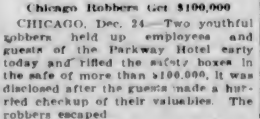
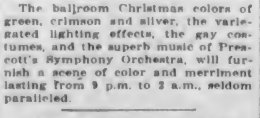
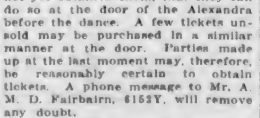
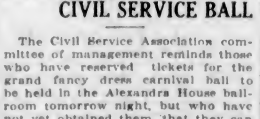
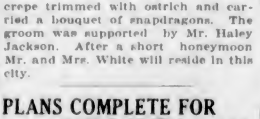
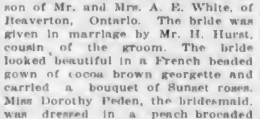
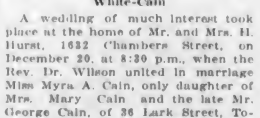
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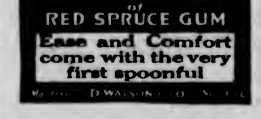
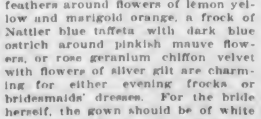
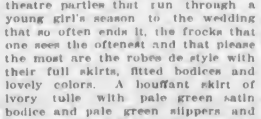
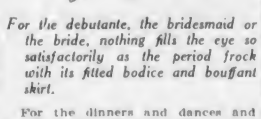
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# Memoirs Reveal How Rumanian Nation Was Swung Into War

Daughter of Edinburgh Given Credit by Lord Bertie, British Diplomat, for Adding to Strength of Allies at Critical Moment—Both Carmen Sylva and King Had Been Favorable to Germany

## KITCHENER AND McKENNA WRANGLE OVER ARRESTS

In the following instalment of "The Diary of Lord Bertie of Thame (1914-1918)," the Ambassador in France describes an interview between Lord Bertie and Raymond Poincaré, President of the Republic, at which he was present. On this occasion we have the first proposal of a Salonika expedition. Friction between Kitchener and French, the "swelled head" of the Russian Ambassador, the shortage of shells, people matter for characteristic comment of the diarist, for which Lord Bertie has a heavy dislike, is described as "an absurd scheme," and Edmond de Rothschild received no encouragement in his "hobby" from the Ambassador.

JANUARY 20, 1915.—Tonight a dinner at the house of a woman whom I have managed hitherto to avoid as a hostess; but as she invited me by word of mouth for four successive days, and I pleaded engagements, she then proposed a date a fortnight ahead: I was caught! Briand held forth after dinner to the same effect as at Bordeaux on French political life. Marie Murat and the hostess knitted, the Duchess de la Tremoille teased Iswolsky.

A peace congress was discussed, where was it to be? at Brussels, Paris, at Rome, etc. I suggested at Constantinople, when it had been taken by the Russians. Iswolsky was not sure whether I was pulling his leg, and I had to reassure him by saying that, when once there, he would say, like McMahon, "J'y suis, j'y reste." "Here I am and here I stay."

D'Aussenville joined the company, and I left them all sitting in a circle, jabbering.

January 23, 1915.—Edmond de Rothschild came this morning and afterwards sent a Russian co-religionist established in Munchener to "talk" about what I think was an absurd scheme, though they say it has the approval of Grey, Lloyd George, Samuel and Crewe; they did not mention Lord Reading, it contemplates the formation of Palestine into an Israeli state, under the protection of England, France and Russia, preferably England, they did not think that Russia or France would raise objections.

Scuffed at Zionist Scheme  
Fancy the Christian holy places in the custody of the Jews, who would have to keep order between the Roman Catholic priests and the Orthodox popes—who are in the habit of fighting in churches with each other, and have to be restrained by Turkish soldiers!

The scheme-maker would be ready to leave the custody to an international board if necessary—or even to the custody of the whole of old Jerusalem; they would build a new one near by.

France has an eye on Syria, but I do not think it would be advisable to have France on the borders of Egypt, or Russia either, though the brothers Russia see no harm in "France being there." What would the pope, and Italy, and Catholic France, with her hatred of Jews, say to the scheme?

A portion of Uganda was offered to the Zionists by Chamberlain some years ago, but it was not food enough for them.

Hobby of Rothschild  
Edmond de Rothschild has spent a good deal of money on the establishment of Jews in Palestine. It is his hobby.

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QUEEN MARIA of Rumania, an Englishwoman by birth, whose argument that Britain had never been whipped in war resulted in her country entering the conflict on the side of the Allies.

Lobby, he does not wish to go thither himself, for he has become French, he says, but there are thousands of his brethren who, for material and sentimental reasons, long to leave the countries where they now are, and go to the Promised Land again. I told both my visitors that we don't want to have a protectorate of Palestine, and that France would object to Russia, and Russia would object to France, in that the Roman Catholic and Orthodox churches, and their adherents, would resist to their utmost Jerusalem and the holy places being under an Israeli state.

Discussed Salonika Plan  
February 3, 1915.—I accompanied Lloyd George to an audience which he had this afternoon of the President of the Republic. The conversation was entirely on the subject of a military expedition, Anglo-French, or solely British, to Salonika, with a view to committing Greece and persuading Rumania to assist Serbia against an Austro-German attack to crush her. It being the view of the British Government that, in order to possess the German pressure at the moment, there should be an effort to bring in new forces in the East.

Yuzovsk suggested a contingent of 1,000 men. Kitchener considered it should be an army corps of two divisions, which, if British, would be about 24,000 men.

The President said that he saw certain advantages, diplomatic and political, in the suggestions put forward by Lloyd George, and the French Government would consult General Joffre, whose views were shared, he understood by General Foch and Sir John French, but he evidently did not anticipate that the General would be willing to detach any contingent from his armies, and said that the diplomatic and political considerations must be very strong to justify the French Government in disregarding the views of their military authorities.

Mounted Allied War Council  
Lloyd George also called the President's attention to the advisability of setting up a Council in France, with representatives from the French, Russian and British Commanders-in-Chief, so that the latter may be kept informed of the intentions and operations of their colleagues, there being at present a lack of co-ordination between the armies of the Allies—which is an advantage to the German Commander. M. Poincaré appeared to approve the suggestion.

February 4, 1915.—The Chancellor of the Exchequer being desirous of having some conversation with Briand, I invited them to meet at dinner at the Embassy this evening. We were six—Vere and his wife, and Lady Algernon Lennox. After dinner Lloyd George, Briand and I sat in the library and I acted as interpreter. Lloyd George is by way of understanding some French, but not an appreciable quantity; what was said and would be repeated between the two ministers might have been said in about twenty minutes, but the conversation lasted for over an hour and a half. On the part of Lloyd George it consisted of much the same arguments which he had used to the President in favor of an expedition to Salonika.

Briand Favors Project  
Briand said that he had, nearly three months ago, advocated such a measure to relieve the German pressure in Belgium and France—a Franco-British force of almost 400,000 men—but the French military authorities were against it, and the Cabinet rejected the idea. Yesterday,

as a result of the representations made on behalf of the British Government, and after telegraphic consultation with General Joffre, they had come back on its previous rejection and accepted the suggestion in principle.

Shifts Campaign to Balkans  
Briand explained his views as follows: In order to relieve the situation in Belgium and the north of France, where the situation amounts to a stalemate, the campaign should be shifted to the Balkans. An expedition to Salonika by British and French troops in conjunction with the Greek army, and pressure by Russia, would certainly bring Rumania in the field, and destroy the attitude of Bulgaria, who might have engagements towards Austria and Germany, and even Turkey—as seemed probable from the withdrawal of Turkish guns and troops from Adrianople—but she would not be likely to observe such engagements if the country saw that Bulgaria's interests would be better served by the Triple Entente than by Austria and Germany. If Russian troops were landed at Varna, or passed into Rumania, she could not consent to the Government of that country, the King and Government of Bulgaria would have to ride with the Triple Entente or fall.

I showed to Briand a memorandum of the decision arrived at at the Council meeting this morning, which he passed as correct.

Enthusiasm in Britain  
February 22, 1915.—I have only lately learnt the part played by the present Queen of Rumania (nee Edinburgh), at the beginning of the war, when the Emperor Francis Joseph appealed to the King of Rumania to come to the aid of Austria and Germany, and after debate the chief politicians voted by a majority of eight to one for neutrality. Carmen Sylva was not for Germany and so was the King.

The Crown Princess (as she then was) said that England had never been beaten; she could and would go on for ten or even twenty years, until she won, and it would be folly for Rumania to fight against her. Sir Edmond's daughter, she and the Queen had a violent altercation, but the Crown Princess stuck to her guns and her arguments had great effect on the politicians.

February 26, 1915.—Briand came to luncheon today. The following is from him: There is constant friction between Kitchener and French, the former has no particular likes or dislikes, but is tactless and perceptive, and does not always do the right thing. French has both likes and dislikes. He is justifiably angry at Kitchener having an officer at Joffre's headquarters in direct communication with London instead of with St. Omer.

W. K. will not increase French's force; the New Army will be for such purposes as K. may decide. It is not decided who shall command the Balkan expedition, whether a British or French officer.

Lloyd George's Indiscretion  
March 1, 1915.—The Dardanelles business is doing well. Deleau was fearing lest we should make to the Americans the soft answer which turneth away wrath. Luckily we have not.

Lloyd George has made a foolish admission to a newspaper man that we should not have gone to war, so far as he was concerned, if Germany had not invaded Belgium; that he and the majority of the Cabinet would have accepted the German offer not to take French territory in Europe. This would, as it has since been proved, have been a very preposterous view to take. France would have been crushed, notwithstanding any German abstention from attacking the French coast, and we should afterwards have had to fight Germany without French aid.

Was Too Oriental  
March 2, 1915.—There is again friction between Kitchener and Joffre, the former thinks that he is a greater adept at negotiation; his ideas are very Oriental and not suited



THE LATE CARMEN SYLVA, Rumanian Queen-Mother.

for an Englishman when dealing with French people, who do not understand a tricky way which says: "If you don't do this I don't do what I promised."

March 5, 1915.—I met Iswolsky (the Russian Ambassador) when writing to see Deleau; the former and his employer have got wind in the head—swelled head, swelled feet and everything swelled.

Deleau seems dazed like a rabbit when hunted by a weasel.

Grey's hens are coming home to roost, and he must feel very embarrassed. Some people here seem to expect that the ships will be in the Golden Horn in a week! Public opinion in Russia will be pleased as a reason for all sorts of extravagant claims, which will set against them Rumania, Bulgaria, Greece, Italy, and I think, public opinion in England and France.

Longer to Speak Mind

March 4, 1915.—If Iswolsky and his masters persist in their exaggerated ideas, they will upset the apple-cart with a vengeance.

I have not seen him today but X. I have seen: he is very alarmed but, if he were a witness "to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth," would be liable for a long imprisonment. He is very foxy, but he does not know that I know that he

## Won Over to Allies by Daughter



KING FERDINAND OF RUMANIA

knows, and he lies accordingly in the innocence of his foxy heart.

"Brer Rabbit," he says nuffin, but listens to foxy's struggles with the truth, accepting his prevarications as though they were the gospel, though lying sometimes to be able to say: "You — liar."

March 7, 1915.—I have seen Briand with the charming voice, he is all for soothing Iswolsky and Co. Susanow assumes the air of an all-around victor and dictator: the part don't suit him but who is going to bell the cat? Nobody seems up to the job.

Wanted More Arrests  
March 4, 1915.—In the course of a long walk in the Bois yesterday with Murray of Edinburg we had some talk.

There have been ructions on the subject of the large number of Germans at large, the War Office and Home Office blaming each other, the matter was brought up in Cabinet. Kitchener said that not sufficient arrests had been made; McKenna replied that he had stepped further arrests because the W. O. said that there was no further accommodation for the arrested. K. retorted that 35

could only have been a major who said so.

McKenna then gave orders that arresting should be resumed, which caused friction between the police and the soldiers who declined to admit the arrested to the camps. One of the Army Council then requested that no more arrests should be made. McKenna ordered Sir E. Henry to go on arresting and at the next Cabinet meeting asked K. whether he still maintained that it was only a major. Kitchener had to eat his words! All this is very childish.

Shortage of Shells

March 18, 1915.—Escher has again been to the French Headquarters, he hears that there is to be a meeting between Kitchener, Millerand and Joffre; he thinks Kitchener and Millerand will never hit it off: the latter feels the former is not frank with him.

Escher wants me to try to smooth matters: I told him the best solution would be a meeting between Asquith, Kitchener, Grey and Millerand. Asquith would then keep Kitchener in order, and not allow him to haggle about supplies, etc.

General Henderson is in Paris on his way to the Riviera to recuperate. March 26, 1915.—I hear that at Joffre's headquarters there is a feeling that French does not always carry out Joffre's directions: there ought to be frequent consultations as to what is to be done and the way to do it, and when the plan is settled French might go out as desired by Joffre; otherwise their will be confusion which may lead to disaster.

Want of ammunition, particularly of shells, is what has delayed, and is delaying, all sides, and particularly the French, who always thought they had a sufficiency. The ammunition has been stupendous and has far exceeded all expectations.

It is very lucky that a radical Government is in power at home, for no Conservative ministry could have dealt with the railways, food supplies, blockade, and strikers in the automatic fashion of the present ministry.

I suppose that the delay in organizing workshops is due to the hope

that matters would not make it necessary: that they could rub along somehow and avoid doing what might make the ministry unpopular with the Labor party.

Kitchener, however, is not a political voice-catcher, and ought to have insisted.

(To be Continued.)

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## Farmers Leave Farms, And France Hungers

PARIS, Dec. 23.—Making 500,000 grains of wheat grow from one in a year and a half was cited in debate of the Chamber of Deputies on agriculture recently as a laboratory accomplishment, rather putting in the shade the old adage about making two leaves grow where one grew before.

The scientific achievement was used by Deputy Compe-Moral to show how valuable science could be to the farmer.

France has a back-to-the-farm movement; but the tide to the city continues to increase. Before the war more than half the population was rural; it was shown by various speakers, and now only a third of the people cultivate the soil. And meantime the wheat shortage, extraordinarily serious this year, is worrying economists and politicians for the reason that bread, the standard of the Frenchman for the cost of living, goes up in price constantly without regard to the campaigns of successive cabinets and long speeches by ministers of different political complexions.

In comparing practice with possibility, M. Compe-Moral said the farmer, on the average, grew only 25 grains of wheat from one half while the scientist grew his half million.

Japanese Parliament Meets  
TOKIO, Dec. 23.—Parliament assembled today. After organizing it will adjourn on Friday until January 26.

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# NEWS OF THE SPORTING WORLD

## Cougars Will Play This Afternoon at The Willows Arena

Lester Patrick Will Lead His Cohorts Against Vancouver Maroons in First Game of Season Here—Fans Will See Four Former Seattle Men, Now With Cougars, in Action—Big Rush for Seats

WATCH the Cougars step this afternoon at the Willows Arena. May they step lively enough to wreck the fondest hopes of Frank Patrick's clan from Vancouver, and trot off the ice at the end of the sixty minutes of play just two points nearer the premier berth of the Western Canada hockey circuit.

The renovated Victoria team, possessing four of last year's Seattle hucksters, will show their wares to local rabid fans for the first time this season. And if they display anything like the form they have done so far this year, they will be able to make the Maroons travel faster than the wind to bag a victory at the Cougars' expense.

Lester Patrick, manager of the Victoria Hockey Club, last night announced to The Colonist that he would start the new men on the ice at 3:30 p.m. today, and that the team that will carry the Cougars' colors will be as follows:

Goal—Happy Holmes.  
Defence—Gordon Fraser.  
Defence—Clem Longhills.  
Left wing—Frank Poynton.  
Centre—Frank Fredrickson.  
Right wing—Jack Walker.  
Reserves—Harold Halderson, Harold Hart, Harry Neeking, Jack Anderson and Wally Elmer.

All Players Regulars.  
All the Cougars are regulars, there being no second string men on the team, and the different members of the sextette will be pressed into service at intervals during this afternoon's big game. Happy Holmes, Gordon Fraser, Frank Poynton and Jack Walker were all favorites with the Seattle fans, and they undoubtedly will win the complete approbation of Victoria rabid fans for their work as important cogs in the Victoria hockey machine.

The big demand for seats for today's game continued yesterday, and a big house will witness the Cougars and Maroons mix this afternoon. The hockey ticket office at Milimay & Ritchie's, 611 View Street, will be open for three hours this morning, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., after which the seat plan will be removed to the arena. Those desiring the best seats, and who have not already secured their reservations, are advised to secure them early this morning.

The Maroons are coming over to Victoria today with a determination to trounce the Cougars, and they believe the home club will be forced to admit defeat this afternoon. Charles Reid, who is playing in the Vancouver net until Hughie Lehman is ready for the grind, will be in the cage, with Art Duncan and Heagy Istrom aiding in protecting the net. Joe Matte is also available for the defence line, and Frank Patrick will rely on Mickey Mackay, the two Boucher boys, and Reimika to keep Happy Holmes busy between the Victoria goal posts.

Officials On the Job.  
Mickey Ili will again handle the whistle, while W. H. Wilkerson, the well-known referee, who has been timing professional hockey games here during the past twelve years, during which time he has only missed three games, will be there with the watch, and perform a very necessary part of the match.

Regina will be here on Saturday night, and as this is the first practice team to play in Victoria this season, and it will be the first match this year between these two teams, a big crowd is expected to be out to see what should prove a real thriller.

JOINS DIRECTORATE.  
MONTREAL, Dec. 24.—Tommy Arnold, for years a close follower of the fortunes of the Victoria hockey team, and an ardent devotee of the amateur game, has joined the directorate of the new Montreal professional team in the new hockey league.

### REGINA COMING

The Regina Capitals will perform for the entertainment of Victoria hockey enthusiasts here on Saturday evening next, December 27, and the Cougars will undoubtedly have stiff opposition from the Saskatchewan capital. The Regina team is composed of a number of well-known players, and is well balanced, and can be relied upon to stage a good game against the Victoria club.

There already have been inquiries for seats for this game, and fans will have the opportunity to obtain same tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, when the seat sale for Saturday night's game opens at the ticket office in Milimay & Ritchie's, 611 View Street.

## SATURDAY SOCCER CARD IS GOOD ONE

THE PREMIER POSITION MAY BE BROKEN SATURDAY

Race for Honors Is Chosen for Many Years—Good Games Are Arranged for Week-End

First Division football fixtures for Saturday are:

Home of England vs. North Wards, Royal Athletic Park, referee, Payne.

Veterans vs. Equilmalt, Beacon Hill, referee, Saunders.

United Services vs. Victoria Wests, at Work Point, referee, Ockwell.

With the race for the coveted soccer honors of the city so keenly contested, Saturday's games should draw large crowds.

This game should be a long-drawn battle, each having five points to their credit, the North Wards are in the third place with eight, the Englishmen and the Wests are tied next with seven points while the United Services are following up in the rear just one point behind these teams.

At the Royal Athletic Park the Englishmen will have their hands full when they tackle the Northerners. This game should be a long-drawn battle, as these teams are going along quite nicely lately. The North Wards will try to grab these points to keep them in the race, but their opponents must not be slighted in any way.

The game at Beacon Hill will bring together two teams that are at present tied for first place in the league, namely, the Veterans and Equilmalt. The latter team has been idle since their victory in the semi-final at the expense of the Victoria Wests, while the Veterans will have the advantage of today's game and should be in a little better shape than their opponents.

At Work Point the United Services will tackle the Victoria Wests. This should be the game of the day. The Services men are going along at a nice clip, and should be able to win to their credit on their home grounds, and on Saturday they are living in hope of adding a couple of points to the credit of the redoubtable greenhorns.

The Services men must win if they wish to emerge from the cellar, while the greenhorns need the points to keep them in the running.

WILL PLAY RUGBY ON FIELD OF STRAW

B.C. University and Olympic Champions From California Meet Today On Brockton Point Ground

VANCOUVER, Dec. 24.—On a straw-strewn field at Brockton Point tomorrow afternoon, the United States Olympic rugby team and a team representing the University of California will struggle for supremacy in a game that will inaugurate a series of contests here during the holiday season.

The American rugger, who arrived in Vancouver last night from California, had a brisk work-out this morning at Brockton Point, and this evening indulged in a first practice eventing in the field of straw. All members are reported fit after the long train journey.

Because of the frozen ground, three tons of broken straw has been put on the ground with the result that a good playing field has been produced. Many of the visitors have played in Vancouver before and have many friends here.

The game will start at 2:15 p.m. The Vancouver Rugby Football Union has arranged a number of social affairs with which to entertain the Californians during their stay in the city. In addition to tomorrow's fixture, games will be played on Saturday and New Year's Day.

Davenport's Win From Eagles at Nanaimo

NANAIMO, Dec. 23.—In last evening's city League boxing feature the Davenport took the Eagles for three points. Mr. A. Leston being high scorer with 187 points. The scores were:

Davenport: T. Florenti 185, 147, 121; A. Leston 156, 139, 187; J. Harbord 126, 107, 158; W. Shepherd 129, 119, 169; J. Brown 169, 129, 167. Total, 2,219.

Eagles: D. Pollard 139, 122, 163; W. Bennett 115, 142, 122; W. Ferguson 58, 123, 140; H. Todd 133, 106, 183; J. Galt 140, 179, 155. Total, 1874.

Dundee Signs for Fight in Paris

PARIS, Dec. 24.—Johnny Dundee, of New York, who recently retired as featherweight champion, today signed articles to fight Briton, former European lightweight champion. The contest will be for fifteen rounds in Paris on January 27.

## UNITED SERVICES TO MEET VETERANS

COMBINATION CUP SEMI-FINAL IS SOCCER CLASSIC

Replay Game Should Prove Interesting Tilt—Royal Athletic Park Is Scene of Morning Encounter

Soccer followers have a real treat in store today, and that is the replay of the semi-final of the Combination Cup game between the United Services and the Veterans. These teams battled to a 1-1 draw about two weeks ago at the Royal Athletic Park, and today at 10:30 o'clock they will endeavor to decide which team shall have the right to enter the finals with Equilmalt. The latter team found their way into the final round at the expense of the Victoria Wests, whom they defeated by a 2-1 score quite recently.

Change in Line-Ups

When the United Services soccer eleven takes the field for their game with the Veterans today they will have a different eleven from that which fought in the first game. Whyte will replace Ward at inside left, and Ward will go to the wing position. Sergeant Shiers will play centre half. This should strengthen the Services men considerably, and if the Veterans wish to come out on the right end of the score, they will have their work cut out today. The Veterans will replace their skipper, Chris Owens, back in the game, and under his skilful guidance they expect to take the measure of their opponents.

Today's line-ups are announced as follows:

United Services—Zanelli; Grimes and Allen; Haines, Shiers and Sergeant Cummings; Armstrong, Coulter, Whyte and Ward.

Veterans—Bridges, Campbell, Owens, Preston, Davidson, Ash, Eley, Erskine, Southern, Merrifield and Clark; reserves, Petch, Brown and Small.

Both teams are requested to meet at the clubrooms not later than 9:30.

Another Jolt for the Poor Amateurs

MONTREAL, Dec. 24.—Senior amateur hockey in this province received another jolt today when it was announced that the interprovincial league had dissolved.

TIJUANA RACING

First race, three-quarters of a mile—1, Nizan, 107, Edwards, \$8.60, \$4.20; 2, Fernandez, 104, Fredericks, \$7.80, \$3.40; 3, Royal Queen, 107, Costello, \$3.80, \$1.90.

Second race, three-quarters of a mile—1, Amackean, 101, Fisher, \$9.80, \$5.80, \$4.40; 2, H. C. Beach, 108, Wilson, \$9.30, \$4.20; 3, Spinks, 104, Fredericks, \$6.80, \$3.40.

Third race, three-quarters of a mile—1, Emma Williams, 107, Moller, \$12.30, \$2.60; 2, Lamed, 107, Roberts, \$3.80, \$1.90; 3, Col. Matt, 101, Roberts, \$5.20.

Fourth race, five-eighths of a mile—1, Platter, 106, Roberts, \$12.30, \$2.60, \$1.90; 2, J. C. Beach, 108, Wilson, \$9.30, \$4.20; 3, Spinks, 104, Fredericks, \$6.80, \$3.40.

Fifth race, one mile and one-sixteenth—1, Dolphin, 106, Roberts, \$14.40, \$2.80; 2, Diamond, 110, Roberts, \$5.40, \$2.70; 3, Mary Contrary, 105, Young, \$3.40.

Sixth race, one mile and one-sixteenth—1, The Alibi, 107, McHugh, \$15.40, \$7.40, \$3.60; 2, Barney Stone, 113, Barnes, \$4.80, \$2.80; 3, Tangerine, 110, Piccirilli, \$4.60.

Seventh race, one mile and one-sixteenth—1, Condon, 105, Fisher, \$5.50, \$2.20; 2, Voorgold, 99, Griffin, \$5.80, \$2.90; 3, Fair Rowena, 104, Young, \$4.40.

Eighth race, five-eighths of a mile—1, San McKinley, 115, Barnes, \$6.20, \$3.20; 2, Margaret Elmore, 110, Fisher, \$3.20, \$1.60; 3, Zorro, 115, Abel, 2.40.

Overnight Entries

First race, five-eighths of a mile—Betty Owen, 92; Joe V. 102; Stylish Miss, 102; Norford Honey, 102; Miss Annette, 102; Chiffchaff, 102; Dr. McArthur, 102; Lady Titbit, 107; Ella, 107; Dr. Hall, 107; Runaway, 112; Pawbroker, 112; Freddie Pear, 112; Angela, 112; Meddling Beth, 112; Rainbolt, 112; Sir John Verge, 112; Jack Laid, 117.

Second race, 5 1/2 furlongs—Wee Girl, 101; Miss Shasta, 101; Mountain Socks, 101; Alibi, 101; Freeman, 108; Aggie, 108; Lottie, 105; My Pot, 108; Fayette, 108; Lottie, 108; Tide, 108; Tessa, 110; Litter, 108; Harry Davis, 107; Laver, 112; Maurice Mulahy, 112; Miss Omond, 106.

Third race, one mile and 70 yards—Car, 101; Meteor, 101; Willow Tree, 105; Toots, 105; Alibi, 105; Freeman, 105; Toots, 105; Missanna, 105; Ten Can, 105; Ev. Harrigan, 106; Louis, 106; H. C. Beach, 106; Col. Matt, 101; Ben. Donlan, 110; Whelpaw, 110; Voorgold, 110; East Indian, 110; Tag Day, 110; Fireworth, 109.

Fourth race, 5 1/2 furlongs—Home Run, 107; Ben Green, 107; Rhonda Limited, 107; Veno Rhod, 107; Postman, 110; Lord Valentine, 110; Run Leg, 110; The Cheetah, 110; Coalition, 112; Seth's Bacon, 112; Herdman, 112; Miltwick, 112; Atmos, 112; Sequen, 112; Frances Victoria, 112.

Fifth race, 5 1/2 furlongs—Edmond, 99; Hundark, 82; False Face, 82; Margie K. 95; Coffield, 96; Runlathie, 100; Hon. Honore, 101; Deputy, 105; Gen. Thatcher, 105; My Reveler, 105; Glen Scout, 105; Nayarit, 107; Rundcar, 108; Time Exposure, 114; Oprey, 115; Home, 110; Tag Day, 110; Fireworth, 109.

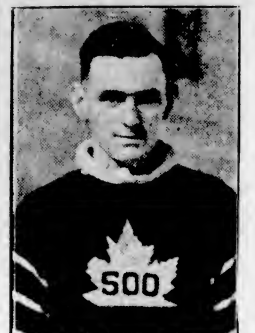
Sixth race, one mile—Tracer, 95; Combuster, 96; Margie K. 96; My Reveler, 100; Runlathie, 100; Dr. Clark, 107; Postilion, 105; Piron Friend, 107; Sunnysland, 117; All Over, 112; Sunper, 116.

Seventh race, one mile and one-eighth—Superking, 95; Piedra, 98; Zinner, 95; Homus, 116; Cusan, 107; Wynwood, 107; Full or Fun, 107; Frank Pogerty, 112.

Eighth race, 4 1/2 furlongs—Miss Matur, 91; Al. Holford, 92; Stamp, 95; Nonslide, 92; Hilarity, 100; Frank R. 107; Chopsticks, 107; A. Lester, 107; Hecruit, 108; Hala, 109; Lady Gorman, 112; Programme, 112; Lord Allen, 112; Dr. Clark, 112; Koki, 96; Ft. Churchill, 106.

Ninth race, 4 1/2 furlongs—Track-Clear and good

## New Soo Greyhound



"STAN" BROWN

Plays defense for the Soo Greyhounds of Salt Ste. Marie, winners of the Allan Cup last year. "Stan" made a name for himself when he played for the Victoria of Toronto. He is regarded as one of the best defense men in the game.

## ENGLISH XI SET HERCULEAN TASK

WANT OVER SIX HUNDRED RUNS FOR VICTORY

Australians Score Over 900 in Two Innings—Record Made for Last Wicket Stand

SYDNEY, N.S.W., Dec. 24.—Completing their second innings for Australia today, cumulating 109 before Tate proved master. Mulvey, who made 48 not out, was an important factor in Taylor's success, and the two combined to make a new record for tenth wicket stands for Australia in their test matches against England, making 127 runs in an hour and a half.

The score:

Australia  
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Extraneous Analysis  
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## Sportive Punches

By the "Old 'Un"

Well, ladies and gentlemen and kiddies, especially kiddies, if you ever bother with the Old 'Un and his nonsense, here we are again! It's another Christmas morning, and that being so, the Old 'Un begs to be allowed to greet you, as is seasonable, in verse:

Though a wish may be an old 'un, it may none the less ring true,  
And this Old 'Un has no new one that he wants to send to you,  
But an old 'un that was ancient when this Old 'Un was a boy,  
Just—A CHRISTMAS full of happiness, a NEW YEAR bringing joy!

Not having the supernatural powers of that other Old 'Un, who goes careering with his old-fashioned team of reindeer over the house-tops, stopping nearly everywhere to squeeze his bulk through chimneys of all sorts and sizes (some of them must be rather overwarm, too, these days) and scattering gifts for all of you in his wake, this Old 'Un unfortunately can give or send you nothing more valuable than his good wishes.

(Here's hoping that the turkey will be very far from tough.  
That you'll still have room for something more when you have had enough;  
May you enjoy a bounteous spread, and may your little Mary Behave as little Maries should, and never prove contrary!)

Judging from all the signs as this is written, we are certainly going to have a bright Christmas, and there should be no difficulty in getting out into the open and working up a real appetite for the bounteous spread ahead.

We may not have the snow and the sleigh bells which seem almost inseparable from Christmas, but perhaps we can do without them, and plenty of bright sunshine overhead and skating enough to make it look like a real old-fashioned Dickensian Christmas.

(I think old Santa knew that there was going to be a freeze,  
'Cos he's left me a pair of skates; he always tries to please.)

And being an Old 'Un, of course we have a prejudice in favor of old-fashioned things, including Christmas. And yet, all said and done, the Old 'Un is willing to bet that the young 'uns think the modern Christmas just as fine as the old 'uns think the Christmas used to be when they were young 'uns.

(Oh! the Christmas to enjoy  
Is the one when you're a boy,  
'Tis then the Yuletides come and go in jig-time,  
Each time Santa comes around  
May he find you lean and sound,  
And leave you all the makings for a big time.)

So here's hoping that all the young 'uns will have every reason to believe that this Christmas, the best ever, and that all the old 'uns will have just as good a Christmas as they deserve to have—AND BETTER!

## TY COBB Remaker of Baseball

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CHAPTER XXXVII  
Comparison

Sister of the Browns—Hornby of the Cards—What Rickey Thinks

By H. G. SALSINGER.

Comparisons are often drawn between Ty Cobb and George S. May, Jr., the two great players of the National League. Some believed that the two players were alike in many respects, but one of the most interesting comparisons was made by the great player of the National League, who was asked to compare the two players.

But, returning to the matter of comparison, if there was one man who should be in a position to make a comparison it was Branch Rickey. He was the manager of the St. Louis Cardinals, and he had known both players for many years.

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## Mail Runners Risking Death in Arctic Trek

Christmas Is Celebrated in Far North First Week in February. After Arrival of Heroic Postal Teams—Journey Takes Two Months—Dogs Haul Precious Sacks Nearly 2,000 Miles in Mid-Winter to Desolate Area

By JOHN J. CONKLIN, Winnipeg  
IN the Winnipeg Post Office today there hangs a precious little handbill of primrose, yellow and black, black of it there lies the shrill whistle of Arctic winds, the hiss of sled runners over crisply frozen snow, steady skies hung with a diamond curtain of stars, sheen of Northern Lights, the flicker of a campfire, the howl of wolves and the whinny of tired sled dogs, weary human bodies asleep in frost-rimmed sleeping bags, precious sacks of Christmas mail lashed to a sled and guarded even with life itself.

The primrose-yellow handbill is headed "Winter Mail Service to Mackenzie River," but to the one who sees romance behind the thin veil of officialdom there is a different picture.

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huts, grub, dog food, the driver behind to urge on the team, and the forerunner ahead to break trail for the animals.

The long haul is not of course, made all in one trip. It is broken into sections, the first of which is from McMurray to Fort Smith, more than 300 miles. Two teams are at work on this stage of the trail. Haul, H. A. Allan and J. Stevens. Allan will be waiting at Waterways for this first mail, which leaves Edmonton on November 23. Somewhere on the trail between Waterways and Smith he will meet Stevens, who will leave Smith about December 1 to take out the next mail, December 11, from Waterways.

This stage of the journey is not too difficult. Trappers' cabins dot the Mackenzie River bank, and stops may be made each night under cover, with a warm fire, hot grub and a bunk in which to sleep.

The second stage is from Smith to Fort Resolution, just over 200 miles. The nine mails, fortnightly, which comprise the winter mail service as far as Smith, dwindle to five from Smith to Resolution.

The third stage—from Resolution to Simpson—more than 300 miles of lonely, unbroken trail, crossing Great Slave Lake to Hay River, thence down that river in the track of the great, stambouli of a hygone summer, along the ice to Simpson at the junction of the Mackenzie and the Liard Rivers.

Here the lone mail carrier and his helper must take their lives in their hands and fight through to Simpson with the mail, no matter what happens.

The short Arctic day ends as suddenly as it begins. Camp must be made wherever the mail carrier finds himself when travel becomes no longer possible. A handful of fire to warm up his grub, a frozen fish each for the dogs, a roll into the blanketed sleeping bag, and the wolves may howl and the ice may crack its pistol shots in vain. Food, rest, sleep—and the frozen trail again ere the dawn!

Journey Takes Two Months  
So the tale is told. From Simpson the mail goes from post to post down the river until, more than two months from the day it was loaded behind the yelping dogs, the northern mail reaches Akavik in the delta.

From Akavik the waiting "mountain" rises upon the home news that the mail sacks bring, and the rest is whirled rapidly northward to Herschel. From Herschel, as winter patrol proceeds, lone posts to Carleton Place receive their mail, but at all the posts from Norman to Herschel the real spirit of Christmas comes with the mail man.

Scarcely have the sled dogs nosed the grateful warmth of stoves that burn cheerily in the wood huts of the post than the harness is strung across their shoulders again, the mail sacks from the posts are lashed securely behind, the lone whip cracks and the lone trail opens once more, south to a measure of civilization again, bringing down mails that reach Winnipeg about April 1.

The mail carrier is the North's



MR. CHARLES HOWLETT

is now 84 years of age. He has been the barber for the Royal Family at Sandringham for over half a century—fifty-seven years to be exact. Practically all the members of the Royal Family who have stayed at Sandringham have had their locks shorn by his hands. He has known the present King all his life and says that His Majesty first grew a beard in 1889, and that he was the first to trim it. This is not a Royal customer in the chair in this picture—just a shaggy-headed boy getting his semi-annual clip.

## BITTER SESSION AT OTTAWA PREDICTED

MAY BE LAST SITTING BEFORE GENERAL ELECTION

War Looms as Result of Threat to Curtail Senate Powers—League Protocol to Be Discussed

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—The Parliamentary stage is set for the opening, probably on January 22, of a session which promises to be long, bitterly fought, and may well be the last before a general election. It will be the fourth of the present Parliament. Technically, the mandate does not expire till January, 1927. There may be a still further regular session before the five-year limit expires. But parliaments rarely live their allotted span, and political prophets look forward to an appeal to the polls sometime next year.

From present indications, the coming battle over limitation of Senate powers bids fair to take primary place in importance. In the closing hours of last session, Premier King announced his intention, at the next session, to bring down a measure to limit the powers of the Senate. In his recent tour of Western Canada, on several occasions he reiterated his intentions. Briefly, his proposal is to bring

elapsd between the date of the second reading, in the first of these sessions, of the bill in the Commons and the date which it passed the House in the third of these sessions.

If the usual procedure is followed, the amendment would be brought down in the form of an address from both Houses of Parliament requesting the Parliament at Westminster to amend the British North America Act. But such an address would meet with many obstacles. It would probably have to face some strong opposition in the House; there is doubt if it would pass the Senate. A likely argument against it is that Confederation was a pact of uniting provinces, and that the terms of the pact should be modified only with the consent of the provinces. On the other hand, the point has been raised that Section 18 of the British North America Act contemplated definition by the Parliament of Canada of the "powers" of the two Houses at Ottawa. In any event, lively fighting over the Government's proposals is expected. It is not unlikely that the upshot will be an issue in the next Federal elections. But limitation of Senate powers is only one of the topics scheduled for discussion at the coming session. The arbitration protocol adopted by the Assembly of the League of Nations at Geneva will come before Parliament for consideration, and is expected to give rise to some sharp debating. Here the Japanese amendments, especially as affecting immigration, will come more particularly under review. The view is frequently heard in political circles that the protocol is unlikely to be adopted in its present form; and there is curiosity whether, in submitting it to the House, the Government will enunciate a policy or await House debate. Freight rates as a result of the Crow's Nest Pass decision by the Board of Railway Commissioners; bank mergers; rural credit; confirmation of trade treaties; the inquiry into charges made by Sir Arthur Currie of alleged waste of public money in connection with the Canadian Expeditionary Force; numerous other matters which arise as session proceeds—all promise a session long and keenly fought.

## Woman Achieves Fame Taming Humming Bird

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—To be one of the two women in ornithology's history who have tamed that elusive and somewhat rare American bird, the humming bird, is the distinction held by Mrs. R. A. Brown, of Ottawa, who for the last two months has been the possessor of a beautiful specimen of this brilliantly colored bird, which came to her of its own free will. The fact that this delicate little creature has lived in captivity for over two months is considered most unusual. Members of the Dominion Government Parks Department have visited Mrs. Brown and taken motion pictures of the bird, which Mrs. Brown says "is no longer than my thumb." The story of how the little flier first came to her through an open window has been broadcasted. It is thought it delayed going south until too late and was attracted through the window by the warmth of the house. It lives almost entirely on insects.



Poulterer: "So you want me to reserve a duck for Christmas, Mr. McNab—what size will you want?"  
McNab: "I'll require a fairly large one, moob—there'll be forty-seven of us."  
—London Opinion.

Winter trainmaker and breaker. Northern travel follows the track of his sled runners and snowshoes. All the North waits for the mail man before its dog teams take the trails. If the drivers are brave the dogs are equally lion-hearted. They will tug at the straining leather to the last gasp and the last kick. A frozen fish, or two each day, a hole in the snow for a bed, there is but small reward for a life of service in the carrying of His Majesty's mails.

Idle Away the Summer  
But there is the compensation of a gloriously lazy, fly-bitten, flea-scratching, fighting summer spent at Smith or Fitzgerald when the rivers are running and the sun is shining. The famous black team of the Northern Trading Company, which has the winter mail carrying contract, is known from one end of the northland to the other. It will be waiting at Waterways when the first mail train pulls in.

There are but two winter mails to Herschel Island—November 24 and January 26—and but the one mail out. For the rest it must wait for the steamers of the short Arctic summer.

So behind the primrose yellow of a prosaic handbill one may read the romance of the Arctic wilds and sense the word that runs through the far confines of white horizons—"the mails must go through."

When replacing main bearing caps, the shims sometimes become troublesome to hold while the cap is being replaced. By making a few clips, the shims may be firmly held in place. The shims are first placed over the cap and then a clip is slipped over, holding the shim in place while the cap is being drawn up.

down a constitutional amendment to limit the authority of the Senate as the power of the British House of Lords was curbed by the Parliament Act. By this amendment, a measure which has passed the House of Commons in three successive sessions, will, on the assent of the Governor-General, become law whether the Senate has passed it or not.

The powers of the two Houses of the Dominion Parliament are defined by section 18 of the British North America Act, which reads:

"The privileges, immunities and powers to be held, enjoyed and exercised by the Senate and by the House of Commons and by the members respectively shall be such as are from time to time defined by act of the Parliament of Canada, but so that the same shall never exceed those at the passing of this act held, enjoyed and exercised by the Commons House of Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland."

Amendment Proposed  
Exactly what amendment will be brought down by the government at the coming session remains still to be determined, but the following has been suggested as likely to be its general terms:

"If any public bill is passed by the House of Commons in three successive sessions (whether of the same Parliament or not) and, having been sent up to the Senate at least one month before the end of the session, is rejected by the Senate in each of these sessions, that bill shall, on its rejection for the third time by the Senate, unless the House direct to the contrary, be presented to the Governor-General and become an act of Parliament on being assented to, notwithstanding that the Senate have not consented to the bill. Provided, however, that this provision shall not take effect unless two years have

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PLAYHOUSE

## At the Playhouses

BOLD WESTERN DAYS  
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Early days in the Far West have contributed some of the most stirring chapters in the history of the United States, and it is of this period that "The Ridin' Kid From Powder River" is a picture.

Universal-Hoot Gibson production, coming to the Columbia Theatre today for a three-day run, deals. Much of the material for the story was obtained by research work in the big library at Universal City, while the play is taken from Henry Herbert Knibbs' novel.

Hoot has the part of a young man who has grown up in the cattle country, and who, since youth, has lived for one thing alone and that is to avenge the murder of his foster father, the only person from whom he can remember having received kind treatment. To accomplish this he had to wander, for years, over the trackless West.

The old man's death came one night in a fight against great odds—a band of cowboys who had threatened the neater, as they termed him, in vain, and finally succeeded in ambuscade and murdered him.

The time of the story is that period in the history of the country that was made exciting by the many battles between the cattlemen and the man who came into the country to become a farmer.

Tully Marshall, Gladys Hulette, Gertrude Astor and Walter Long are in the supporting company, which includes a bunch of the famous Universal Ranch Riders.

Edward Sedgwick directed the picture, which was made in the vicinity of Long Pine, a small settlement typical of the old days but continuing a flourishing existence in a small valley that leads from the Sierras to the Mojave Desert, California.

CAPITOL The scenes taken about THEATRE the transatlantic liner in the production of "In Every Woman's Life," the first National picture now being shown at the Capitol Theatre, were taken on sets designed after the plans of the 88 Olympic, of the Red Star line. The cabins, staterooms, hallways, decks and bridge were reproduced in perfect detail for the many dramatic scenes between Cherbourg and New York.

COLISEUM The advanced artistry THEATRE involved in the modern motion picture production of "The Idle Class," the first National picture now being shown at the Coliseum Theatre, is an entire French production now being shown at the Coliseum Theatre. An entire French production was built on the studio lot at Universal City especially for this production, a village of the quinquiesse reflects the atmosphere of France correctly in every detail. It is a colorful drama, woven around the Franco-Prussian war, and in the cast are Charles de Roche, Wallace MacDonald, Madge Bellamy, Charles de Roche, Gibson (Gowland), Ford Sterling, Priscilla Dean and others.

DOMINION "Chu Chin Chow," THEATRE which is now showing at the Dominion Theatre, is a picture conceived and executed in the musical comedy mood, and even those very literal souls who demand reasons for everything will be mesmerized into accepting it at its gorgeous face value. It defies the usual analysis. A pictorial operetta based on the adventures of a young man and a young woman, it is a story of the Forty Thieves, a glamorous robber-shiek with half a dozen aliases. A beautiful girl captured by Chu Chin Chow and his robber band at the very moment when she is marrying Omar, her devoted lover, the lovely Ismae Zahra and carried into the desert to become slave to the overlords of the lightning changes. The players for the most part are unfamiliar, which tends more quickly and surely to establish the necessary illusion. The only one you may recognize is Betty Blythe, and half the time you won't recognize her because she wears an odd, fuzzy crop of hair, after the Blue Murray fashion. Betty plays the beautiful Zahra and wears some quite arresting clothes.

PLAYHOUSE Once more has the THEATRE director demonstrated that he can take a simple story with human characters and make it so realistic and appealing that it far outshadows in real merit as many of the film productions that are produced. "In the Shadows of Whitechapel" tells a story of the London slums, about the regeneration of a drunkard and his rise to position and power. It is a series of episodes that have a great human appeal. Throughout the picture there are many comedy situations that bring gales of laughter from the lifetime manner in which they happen. Henry Edwards, as Bill, gives as nice a performance of screen acting as has ever been witnessed, and Mary Hough contributes another splendid portrayal to the long list of former triumphs. The scene on the roof when Bill goes blind is as thrilling as can be produced and the audience was held spellbound until the final fade-out. "In the Shadows of Whitechapel," now showing at the Playhouse Theatre, is a credit to both country and the producers.

LIFE, COLOR AND THRILLS APLENTY IN ORIGINALS' SHOW

Life, color, action, thrills and sudden transitions from scenes of laughter to moments of pathos, lifting musical numbers, most of them either specially written or brought from London, are all combined to make the latest Originals' revue, "Stepping Out."

The biggest hit that these popular Canadian entertainers have ever brought to Victoria.

They open a three-day engagement at the Royal Victoria Theatre on Monday, January 5, after a year's absence, when they appeared here last in "Rapid Fire," together with a splendid cast of old and new favorites, including many of the original Dumbbells. The Originals can always be relied upon to bring us a real good show, and theatregoers of Victoria will be delighted to hear that they are coming back again in the near future.

## AMUSEMENTS

The Screen  
Captured—Virginia Valli in "In Every Woman's Life."  
Coliseum—"Love and Glory," starring Charles de Roche and Madge Bellamy.  
Columbia—"The Ridin' Kid From Powder River," featuring Hoot Gibson.  
Dominion—"Chu Chin Chow," featuring Betty Blythe in "Chu Chin Chow."  
Playhouse—Henry Edwards in "In the Shadows of Whitechapel."

### THE LOVES OF MARY QUEEN OF SCOTS TO SHOW AT COLISEUM

The many who, rightly, deplore the excessive prevalence of foreign films in the cinema, and the effect they are exerting on the popular mind, will welcome heartily a supreme British effort, "The Loves of Mary Queen of Scots."

The picture, which will be seen at the Coliseum all next week, takes up the stormy career of one of the most picturesque characters that ever lived, and handles it with a power that makes the film of outstanding dramatic appeal. No man or woman can fail to be moved by the love story of a queen who was, after all, only a woman, or to be stirred by the passions, the rivalries and the battles into which her exquisite beauty and charm led her many lovers.

Jay Compton, as the queen, gives a wonderful picture of royal power and womanliness at the mercy of fate. And the realism is heightened by the fact that many of the scenes were taken in the castles and palaces where Mary lived her tempestuous life.

The story, which has been produced on a most lavish scale, is not mere history—though true to records—but pulsating drama from start to finish—drama which young and old will enjoy.

Those who may still have doubts as to whether British films can reach the highest pinnacle of screen art are strongly recommended to make a point of seeing "The Loves of Mary Queen of Scots."

### "THE IDLE CLASS" WILL BE SHOWN AT PLAYHOUSE MONDAY

"The Idle Class," Charles Chaplin's production for Associated First National release, is to be shown at the Playhouse Theatre for six days, starting Monday next.

"The Idle Class" contains many features not hitherto seen in Chaplin comedies. While Chaplin appears in many of the scenes clad in his regulation attire, later he dons the garb of a gentleman of leisure and doubles in a number of scenes.

### With "Santa" at the Pantomime

Oh, say, did you see Santa Claus at the show?

'Twas a pantomime sure—Old English you know: First the Fairy, the Prince—so bonny and hale—

Mephistopheles (oh why, she stepped on his tail!) Then Santa, the jolly old fellow walked in

And cut up such capers, and wished he was thin; The chimney he said were exceedingly small

He'd been sweeping them out—Oh, surely not all! Yes, of course, he was warm—"because he's so fat!"

Said the blindest of fairies, but never mind that: Soon he walked the floor and did ever you see

Such a big one before with no small a baby? And my how it cried when it dropped from her wing!

But she seemed not to care, and started to sing; Then in stepped Bo-Boop, Jack and Jill, and Roy Blue

With Little Miss Muffet and Jack Horner too. Look—there's Georgie Porgie—the pudding pie!

If he kisses the girls they'll surely all cry; When the Milkmaid drew nigh he made her blush red

And "I'm going a-milking, kind sir" Had taken her children along with the Zoo.

Mr. Monkey, too funny for most any thing Played pranks with the Bear, while Leo reigned King.

Then Neddy, the donkey—my how he did dance; Trot, kick up his heels, and jump fences and prance!

You ought to have seen how the lords and their ladies Danced the minuet too and aired all their graces.

While the clans of wild Scotia with bag-pipes to boot Just held us all spell-bound—ye mannae nae doot!

Next, in tripped a host of sweet maid; Who had doubtless all danced in Old Country lanes

Their pretty folk-dance was a scene to behold. Like dreams of Old England, as I have been told.

Now all of this time stood the Stork looking on— Her legs blue with cold—such a wise chapone!

And the Christmas Tree glowed with tinsel and toys Mute eloquence these of Yule-tide and its joys

Three cheers for our friend Mr. Spencer, I heard. Who had entertained Santa, as pipped a small bird

"Merry Christmas to all!" then Santa Claus said And I'm sure he just toddled off home and to bed.

The "Stork" for up packed when the crowd stood to sing (Three cheers for the orchestra!) "God Save the King."

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### Christmas at Sea

The sheets were frozen hard, and they cut the naked hand; The decks were like a slide, where a seaman scarce could stand; The wind was a howl, blowing squally off the sea; And cliffs and shouting breakers were the only things a-sea.

They heard the surf a-roaring before the break of day; But 'twas with the help of light we saw how ill we lay; We tumbled every hand on deck in stenter, with a shout, And we gave her the maintopail and stood by to go about.

All day we tacked between the South Head and the North; All day we hauled the frozen sheets and got no further forth; All day as cold as charity, in bitter pain and dread.

For very life and nature we tacked from head to head; We gave the South a wider berth, for there the tide-race roared; But every tack we made brought the North Head close aboard.

So we saw the cliffs and houses, and the breakers running high; And the coast-guard in his garden, with his glass against his eye.

The frost was on the village roofs as white as ocean foam; The good red fires were burning bright in every longshore home;

The windows sparkled clear, and the chimney smoke curled out; And I vow we sniffed the victuals as the vessel went about.

The bells upon the church were rung with a mighty jovial cheer; For 't was just that I should tell you how (of all the days in the year)

This day of our adversity was blessed Christmas Morn; And the house above the coastguard's was the house where I was born.

O well I saw the pleasant room, the pleasant faces there; My mother's silver spectacles, my father's silver hair; And well I saw the flight, like a flight of humbly elves,

Go dancing round the china plates that stand upon the shelves; And well I knew the talk they had, the talk that was of me; Of the shadow on the household and the son that went to sea;

And O the wicked fool I seemed, in every kind of way; To be here and hauling frozen ropes on blessed Christmas Day.

They lit the high sea-light, and the dark began to fall; "All hands to loose topgallant sails," I heard the captain call. "By the Lord, she'll never stand it!"

"It's the one way or the other, Mr. Jackson," he replied. Rhe staggered to her bearings, but the sails were new and good; And the ship smelt up to windward just as though she understood.

As the Winter's day was ending in the entry of the night, We cleared the weary headland, and passed by the light.

And they heaved a mighty breath, every soul on board but one; As they saw her nose again pointing handsomely out to sea; But all that I could think of in the darkness and the cold, Was just that I was leaving home, and my folks were growing old.

—Robert Louis Stevenson.

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## COLISEUM All Next Week

### "The Loves of MARY QUEEN OF SCOTS"

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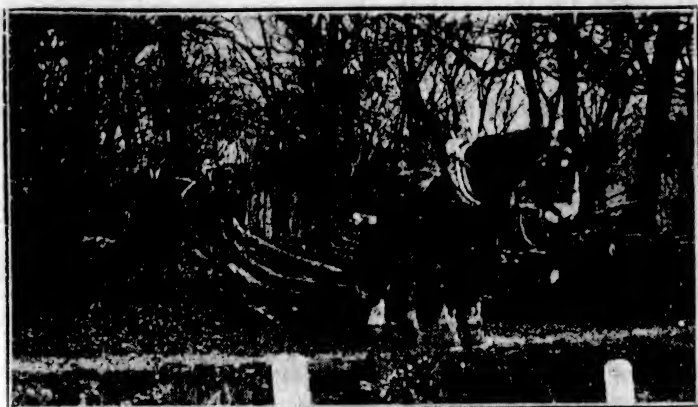
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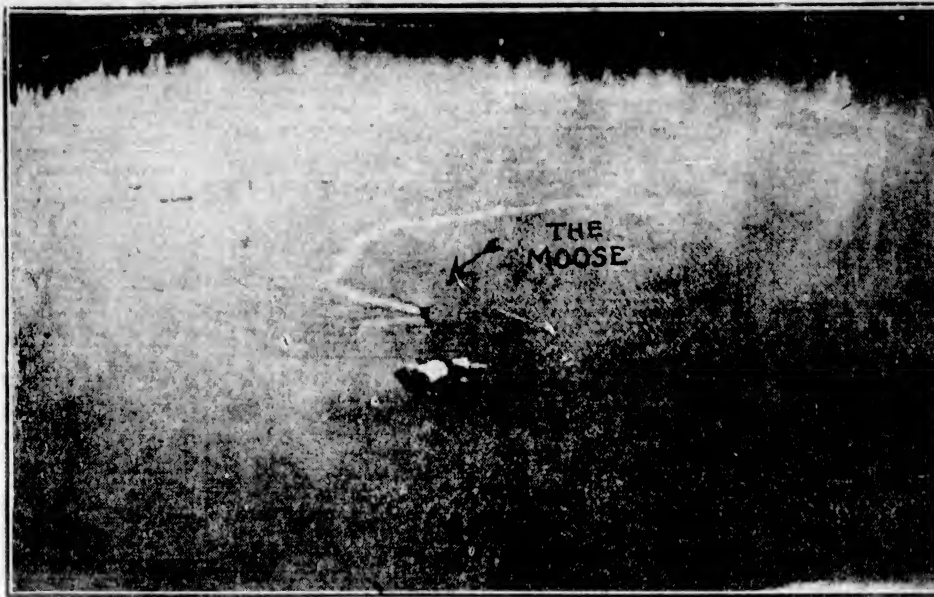
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# The Colonist's Pictorial Page



Epping forest is "thinned" once every seven years to allow room for the oaks to grow unimpeded. The thinning is now taking place and scenes reminiscent of the Canadian woods are daily enacted within fifteen miles of London.



Canadian sportsmen in the future, no doubt, will be doing their hunting from the air. A big bull moose is shown at bay in Lake Carillon, Quebec, after being startled by the sound of a plane.



Leo Dietrichstein, noted actor, became so bored with playing golf and listening to stupid conversation about bootleggers and bootlegging that he has left the United States and has gone to play in Italy.



Gloria Gould Bishop, formerly Miss Gloria Gould, will enact the part of a graceful and gracious girl of Colonial Days in performances to be given in New York for the benefit of the Child's Welfare Committee.



Miss Ruth Gillette, ward of the late czar of Russia, who was adopted at the age of five after her father had been killed in a wolf hunt, is now in Los Angeles, where she is being tutored for the movies by Pola Negri, screen star.



Miss Dorothy Eden of Malden, Mass., postponed her wedding to Fred Webb, an ensign in the navy, until January so that she would be able to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents in New Brighton, England.



For the first time in the history of London, Lamas, or high priests from the mountain fastnesses of Tibet, were seen there recently where they were much interested in the sights, especially the churches of different sects.



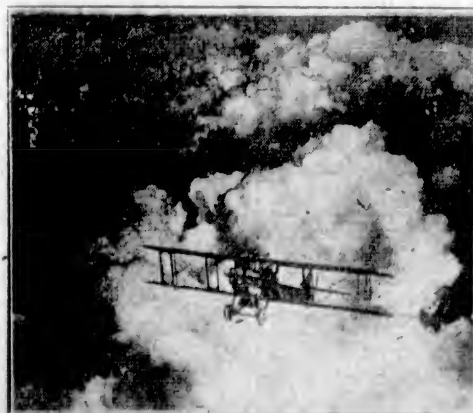
Babe Ruth has returned from the west and has retired to his farm at Sudbury, Mass., where he has begun his training for the coming season. In the photograph the bambino is shown with some of his dogs.



Mrs. Helena Normanton, woman lawyer of England, cabled the National Women's party that she will come to Washington, D.C., and plead the case of her sex in their fight to sign their names on government payroll.



Magarethe Bernstein has earned the title of "greatest matrimonial agent in the world," given her by the German press. Three thousand marriages have been arranged through her Berlin agency.



This U.S. army airplane, equipped with the new radio compass, flies through clouds almost out of sight of land. The new instrument enables a pilot to know his exact location while in the fog without the use of landmarks.



The Rajah Hasi Singh, referred to as the "mysterious Mr. A" in the recent sensational blackmail proceedings in London, is shown here on a former visit to England while attending the Ascot races.



















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